

HE LIED IN 1947; NOW GOV'T AGAIN PUTS HIM ON STAND

By Arnold Sroog

A key witness in the Government's perjury frameup against Harry Bridges, president of the CIO International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union (ILWU), is a man who the Government itself admitted lied twice in a previous trial.

The witness is Manning Johnson, notorious stool-pigeon, who admitted in San Francisco Monday that he had appeared "18 or 20" times as a finger man for the Government in trials of progressives. Johnson, who was expelled recently from the Wholesale and Warehouse Workers Union, told the court that he had seen Bridges at a meeting of the Central Committee of the Communist Party here in 1936. He said Bridges used the name "Rossi" at the meeting.

This same type of story—placing a man at a "secret" meeting, giving him a phony name, setting the date and throwing out a few names of other people supposed to have been there—was told by Johnson in the trial of Gerhart Eisler in June, 1947, and was blown sky high. When Eisler's defense got through with Johnson's lying story, Assistant U. S. Attorney General William Hitz twice admitted in stipulations to the court that Johnson had lied on the witness stand under oath.

In the Eisler trial Johnson testified on July 18, 1947, that as a Communist Party organizer in Buffalo, N. Y., in 1933 he attended a secret meeting at his own home together with Earl Browder, then general secretary of the Communist Party; Tim Buck, general secretary of the Communist Party of Canada; Sam Carr, a leader of the Canadian Communist Party, and Eisler. Johnson told a cloak-and-dagger story of coded messages, pseudonyms and police raids.

BLASTED AS FAKE

Eleven days later Johnson's story was blasted from top to bottom as a complete fake.

The defense introduced ironclad evidence that both Buck and Carr were in a Canadian prison at the time Johnson said they were at the "secret meeting." For one day the Government attempted to block this evidence, but on July 30 admitted in a stipulation that the warden of Kingston Penitentiary in Ontario would testify, if called to the stand, that Buck and Carr were in that jail from 1932 to 1934.

This opened Johnson to a charge of perjury. But the Government never prosecuted him for perjury. Instead they are now using him again, with the same type of phony story, to convict Harry Bridges of perjury.

Bridges immediately nailed this latest yarn of Johnson's as a lie, stating:

"I never met or laid eyes on that man in my life."

To come back to the Eisler trial, Prosecutor Hitz did not relish giving up Johnson's story so easily. After admitting the first lie, he attempted to have Johnson patch

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State Dep't Won't Tell Why He Came

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End of State Dept. Trade Embargo Would Revive N.Y. Port

By Harry Raymond

The port of New York has ironically become one of the chief victims of the "cold war" trade blockade against the Soviet Union and the new democracies of Eastern Europe.

This embargo is one of the factors contributing to the mounting unemployment of waterfront workers of the world's largest city—seamen, longshoremen, truck drivers and warehouse workers.

Establishment of fair credit relations with the USSR, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Romania, Bulgaria and Albania and lifting of the "cold war" trade restrictions would open up a vast new foreign trade totaling at least three billion dollars a year in U. S. exports for the next 10 years.

The bulk of this 30 billion dollars in U. S. exports would necessarily flow through the port of New York.

This would mean jobs for unemployed New York seamen, longshoremen, teamsters, warehousemen. It would mean jobs for jobless workers in the city's sagging manufacturing industries—especially chemical and chemical products, machinery and electrical products, transportation equipment, optical and scientific goods, and other manufacturing.

The purchasing power resulting from this new employment would brighten the job picture in the city's retail and wholesale trade, which is scheduled for another sharp dip after the first of the year, and in other non-manufacturing trades.

One hundred American freight vessels, it is conservatively estimated, would be required to handle a Soviet-East Europe trade totaling three billion a year. These ships would ply chiefly between the port of New York, Lenin-

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Letter To a Girl In Hiroshima

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Urey Tries to Stymie Move For A-Accord

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14. — Dr. Harold Urey, famed atomic scientist, attempted today to douse cold water on the developing movement for an American-Soviet accord to outlaw atomic weapons. Amid widespread reports here that Secretary of State Acheson has on his desk a plan for a "new look" at international atomic controls, Urey turned up in Washington predicting an almost certain atomic war with the "Russian dictators" which would last 10 years and leave the world crushed and its people subjugated to new tyrannies.

He said flatly he did not believe an agreement with the USSR was possible. He acknowledged, however, that "50 percent" of the nation's scientists did not agree with him on this.

The only solution, he contended, was the establishment of a super government of signers of the Atlantic pact. He doesn't want the Soviet Union invited to participate, he said, and if invited, he would be very unhappy if it accepted.

He recently resigned from the board of directors of the United World Federalists because it advocates a world government with the USSR participating.

It was a strange performance by one of the nation's outstanding scientists, a person who has been regarded at times as a liberal.

"My primary concern is not peace, it's justice," he told a news conference. He said that a political as well as military union would create an "enormous unbalance of power" which he relies upon to defeat the socialist countries of Europe.

This reporter asked him how an "enormous imbalance of power" could guarantee justice.

CONTRADICTS HIMSELF

He admitted that it could not be perfect justice, but immediately added that it would prevent war. When the contradiction was pointed out to him, he attempted to resolve it by asserting that under his super government there would be relative justice.

"Is it not true that the financial groups which dominate the U. S. would dominate your super government?" he was asked.

"I much prefer to be dominated by a financial group than by ruthless dictators. I am not so much worried by the DuPonts," he said, "as I am by military cliques."

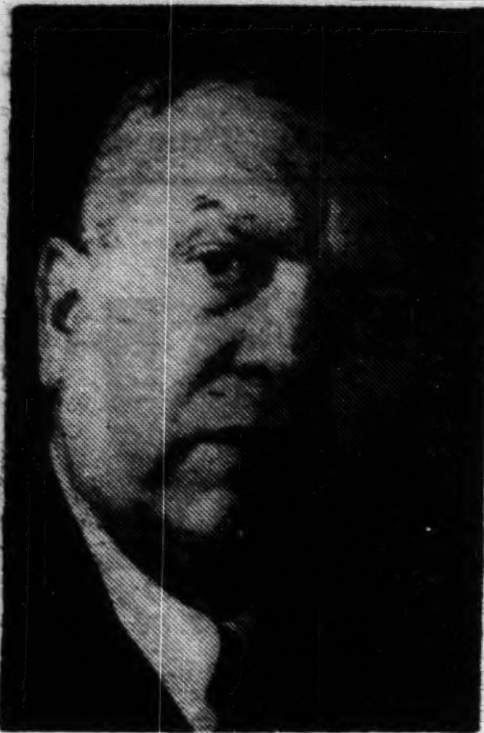
It was pointed out that military cliques, already powerful here, would become more powerful under his super government. He replied with an attack on the Soviet Union.

Urey began to make sense only when he turned to the recent tale of an A-bomb plot spread by commentator Fulton Lewis, Jr. and ex-Major G. Racey Jordan.

If Uranium reached the USSR, it was of no matter, he said. "Uranium was a normal article of commerce then."

"Sometimes I'm ashamed of the U. S. for the way we are acting," he said. "We worried about a few

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Israelis Set Up HQ in Holy City

JERUSALEM, Palestine, Dec. 14. — Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion set up his headquarters in Jerusalem today after his proclamation that the Holy City is the Israeli capital.

Ben-Gurion came here with his Prime Ministry staff in the first practical step in carrying out the decision of the government and parliament to make Jerusalem formally the capital in defiance of the United Nations Assembly which voted to internationalize the city.

Parliament is to start meeting here immediately after Chanukah, Dec. 26.

The Communist newspaper Kol Haam said the decision meant abandoning the old city and much of the remainder of Palestine to "the British satellite King Abdullah of Hashemite Jordan."

RIGHTWING LOCAL RIPS CIO SPLITTERS

Rightwing-led Local 338 of the CIO Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Employees has condemned the splitting policies of the top CIO, it was learned yesterday. The action was taken at two membership meetings, one held Wednesday night for Manhattan members, and the other last week for Brooklyn members.

The condemnation of national CIO splitting and raiding took the form of unanimous approval

of the report of Local 338 president Julius Sum. Sum, a long-standing rightwinger and member of the Liberal Party, attacked CIO's present expulsion and divisive policy as one that would do great damage to all union members.

Other members of the administration, including a number of business agents, took the floor to support the criticism of the national CIO.

Symposium on Stalin

A symposium next Tuesday on Stalin, The Man and His Work, sponsored by the National Council of American Soviet Friendship, will hear Dr. Harry F. Ward, professor emeritus of Christian ethics, Union Theological Seminary; Dr. Howard Selsam, director of the Jefferson School; William Mandel, author and lecturer; and Dr. W. Alphaeus Hunton, executive secretary of the Council on African Affairs. The symposium will take place at 8:15 p.m. at Steinway Hall, 113 W. 57 St.

Week's Delay Ordered In Davis' Ouster Suit

City corporation counsel John P. McGrath yesterday was granted a week's delay in the suit filed by attorneys for Councilman Benjamin J. Davis charging Davis was illegally

ousting from the City Council Nov. 28. McGrath was given until next Tuesday to file his answer.

Councilman Davis was expelled in a Jimcrow 15-0 vote with two abstentions, on McGrath's opinion that the frameup conviction at Foley Square trial of the Communist leaders automatically barred him from office.

The Council had also upheld McGrath's ruling terminating Davis' salary as of Oct. 14, the date of the infamous Foley Square verdict.

McGrath's plea for a week's delay to prepare a brief was denounced by Harry Sacher, an attorney for Davis. Sacher termed the plea for delay a "remarkable performance" by which a legislator is first ousted on the basis of an opinion is challenged, the au-

thorities responsible for both opinion and ousting "must now first look up the law to determine if they had any legal right to do so in the first place."

Jail 10 Greek Seamen Here

Ten Greek seamen were arrested yesterday by the U. S. Immigration Department as part of the campaign to break the Federation of Greek Maritime Unions, the last free Greek trade union.

The seamen were arrested while they were having coffee in a restaurant at 306 W. 40th St. They have all been taken to Ellis Island. The union is attempting to obtain their release on bail. Several of the men are members of the National Maritime Union.

The 10 are charged with overstaying their leave in the U. S. The Immigration Department usually extends leaves for seamen when they have not been able to obtain jobs, but has refused to do so in the case of Greek seamen.

Over 50 Greek seamen have faced deportation in the last five months, including the union's leader, Nicholas Kaloudis, now out on bail.

Hundreds of Greek seamen are stranded in this country, unable to ship out and forced to overstay their leave because the shipowners and U. S. Immigration Department use a blacklist containing the names of 2,000 FGMU members.

UE Tops AFL In Labor Board Poll at Sunbeam

By Ruby Cooper

CHICAGO, Dec. 14. — The United Electrical Workers Union yesterday won a decisive victory in an NLRB election covering the workers of the big Sunbeam Corp. plant here.

The UE won a clear majority of the votes cast, receiving 1,488 votes to 1,016 for the AFL International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

The plant employs some 3,500 workers and is the largest organized electrical shop in this city. Over 2,800 workers voted with 262 balloting for neither union and 19 being challenged and 14 declared void.

This was the first significant election in a major plant nationally engaged in by the UE since its expulsion from the CIO at the recent Cleveland convention.

REBUFF REDBAITING

A statement on the election results by Ernest DeMaio, UE district president, declared "this was the Chicago workers' answer to redbaiting, name-calling and company-unionism."

"It was likewise the Chicago workers' answer to the union-splitting tactics of the Murray-Carey-Reuther clique in temporary control of the CIO."

The CIO dual electrical union, headed by James Carey, had attempted to prevent the election but was unsuccessful. The dual union also failed to win a place on the ballot.

The victory came in face of an unprecedented campaign of red-baiting waged against UE by both the company and the IBEW.

USE MEDINA QUOTES

A steady stream of letters had been addressed to all workers by the company based almost entirely around anti-Communist quotes from Judge Harold Medina, CIO President Philip Murray and others.

The entire election campaign of the IBEW had also been built completely around the issue of "Communism."

For the last six months, workers (Continued on Page 8)

Brannan Sees Farm Income on Skids

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 14 (UP). — Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan said last night that farm income is on a "toboggan slide."

He said it would be neither wise nor fair to hide the "distressing truth" that U. S. farm operators' net income already is down 20 percent from 1947 and may decline another 15 percent next year.

Brannan told 4,000 delegates to the annual Farmers Union Grain Terminal Association meeting that the farmers will lead the way to a lower scale of living for all economic groups in the country unless "this toboggan slide" comes to an end.

DAVIS SAYS DRIVE IS WELL-TIMED

NAACP's 1950 Civil Rights Crusade

By Benjamin J. Davis
New York City Councilman
First of a Series

The National Civil Rights Mobilization called by the NAACP for Jan. 15-17 in Washington, is an undertaking of major importance.

Coming at the beginning of the next session of Congress, it is well timed. It places the issue of civil rights legislation before the House and Senate at a time when the Republican and Democratic demagogues cannot use the worn-out excuse that the "session is nearly over, and other matters will have to receive priority."

The Mobilization deserves the widest support of trade union and people's organizations.



DAVIS

While the NAACP is sponsoring this project, together with a number of cooperating organizations, it is quite clear that it reflects the tremendous upsurge among the Negro people against the mounting lynch offensive of big business and its political agents against the Negro all over the land. It arises in no small part from the growing disillusionment among the Negro people over the failure of the Truman Administration and of both major parties to fulfill their promises for the passage of effective civil rights legislation. Truman's unparalleled demagoguery, coupled with grandiose gestures and a few plums to isolated Negro leaders, have not produced a single piece of civil rights legislation or other substantial measures guaranteeing the first class citizenship of Negro Americans.

DESIRE FOR UNITY

The broad composition of the supporting organizations on the national as well as local levels—including particularly several conservative and rightwing organiza-

tions, Negro and white—expresses the desire of the Negro people for unity within their own ranks, as well as with supporting forces irrespective of race, color or creed, around civil rights issues. This is especially true insofar as a number of conservative and prominent Jewish organizations are concerned, reflecting in no unimportant manner the Jewish-Negro unity against the fascist attacks upon democratic liberties at Peekskill.

The fact that so many organizations can be gotten together on civil rights, particularly of the most oppressed section of the population, the Negro people, indicates that this is a question of decisive potentiality in the struggle against fascist reaction. Therefore, this project should receive the constructive interest of all genuine anti-fascist forces, particularly of the labor movement and of all strata of the Negro people. It is incumbent upon every democratic citizen and organization to find a way to assist in this effort

to defend American liberties.

The calling of this mobilization stems from the action taken at the '49 national convention of the NAACP where a resolution was adopted making provision for the organization to supplement its national legal defense operation with more mass activities. The orientation toward mass involvement of the NAACP members and their supporters signified in the mobilization undoubtedly will receive an enthusiastic welcome among NAACP members who are pressing with increasing vigor for an all-inclusive, united mass struggles.

Nor have the rank and file been without help from leaders on the branch and state conference levels, and even among many leaders on the very top level. "We intend to develop action at the grassroots level—political action in terms clearly understandable to members of Congress and other politicians," said the NAACP statement of policy. (Continued on Page 9)

Coming Tomorrow

The Elections In Australia

by William Z. Foster

Ask New State Rent Lid Law

A state law freezing rents at the July 1, 1947, levels, was proposed yesterday by the New York Tenant Council to the two-day legislative conference of the State Democratic Party. A statement submitted by Isidore Blumberg, executive secretary of the council, also urged legislation validating city rent law '75, which gives the New York City Rent Commission authority to pass on rent boosts okayed by the Office of Housing Expeditor.

Strengthening of rent control laws is necessary, Blumberg pointed out, because the federal government is abandoning its program and playing along with the realty interests.

The Tenant Council proposed that the Civil Practice Act be amended to permit extension of stays of eviction from six months to one year.

An additional \$500,000,000 bond issue for loans and localities and further increase in subsidies was suggested in order to make way for an extended public housing program still sorely needed.

Top Nazi Financier in U. S.; State Dep't Won't Tell Why

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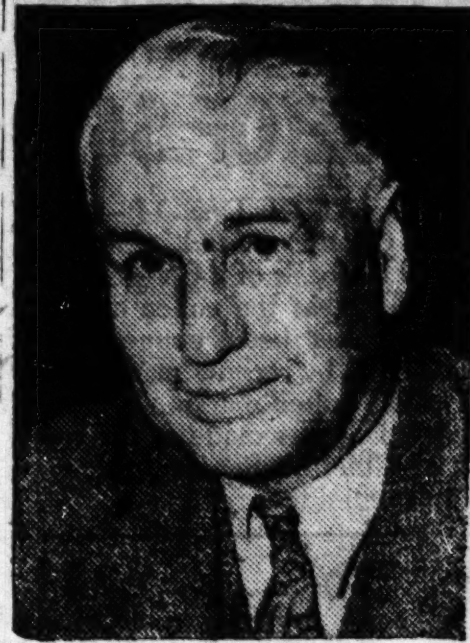
WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—A leading Nazi financier, Herman Abs, has been in the United States since Nov. 17, Sen. Guy Gillette (D-Iowa), revealed today. The Senator said he has demanded that the State Department explain why Abs' presence here has been such a closely guarded secret.

According to Gillette, the State Department replied with only "partial information." The State Department said that Abs, accompanied by two directors of the Deutschland Bank

NLRB to Ask Court Order Against Typos

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The National Labor Relations Board said today it will seek U. S. Circuit Court enforcement of its order directing the AFL International Typographical Union to stop violating the Taft-Hartley law's closed shop ban.

Elisha Hanson, general counsel of the American Newspaper Publishers Association, asked the board on Dec. 1 to take the case to the court.



GILLETTE

named Vock and Treue, came to the U. S. to confer with a committee of "standstill creditors of Germany" concerning a mount owed U. S. banks by German debtors since 1931.

The department said they were invited by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. Gillette said the New York bank had failed to confirm this.

Gillette said he was informed that Abs was allowed to leave Germany traveling on a French zone passport for purposes of "legitimate commercial business."

The Iowa Senator said the State Department admitted it did not know what "personal contacts" Abs might be making in the U. S. He talked with officials in the Bureau of German Affairs of the State Department while in Washington, it was said.

Gillette criticized the State Department for not making any public announcement of Abs' visit in view of his "significant strategic role" in Nazi Germany as well as in postwar Germany. "In the present governing circles of the newly-formed Bonn republic it would seem clear that his visit to the United States and the reason for it are of exceptionally great interest to the American people," Gillette said.

In March, 1945, Abs was listed as one of the most important financiers who supported Hitler and profited under the Nazi regime. Baron Kurt von Schroeder reportedly told American investigators in Germany that Abs had rendered valuable assistance to Hitler.

Queried by the Daily Worker in New York, a Federal Reserve Bank spokesman promised to have a press relations representative call back on the Abs visit. The call, however, was not received.

Abs, a director of the Deutsche Bank during the Hitler regime, was the Nazis' "official looter" of the countries seized by Germany. As a matter of fact, Abs was denounced in 1948 in a special U. S. Military Government report, for his role in exploiting the Nazi-occupied territories. Last February, in company with such men as Hermann Dinkelbach, financial backer of Hitler's SS, Abs was named by the Anglo-American occupation authorities to the 1-man board to administer the Ruhr iron and steel trusts.

A special report by Lt. Gen. Lucius Clay, former U. S. military occupation chief in Germany, termed Abs "a most energetic officer" who had "excellent standing" with (Dr. Hjalmar) Schacht (when he was president of the Reichsbank).

cal and economic domination of Europe, by a U. S. Military Government investigation.

The probe showed that the Deutsche Bank violated the Versailles Treaty by financing German rearmament, providing secret credits to the Nazi government and to clandestine war industries. The Abs Bank was shown to be closely linked with Krupp, I. G. Farben, the Goering works, and other leaders of German heavy industry. The AMG probe also showed that the Deutsche and another bank, the Dresdner, played a major role in "Aryanizing" German industry after Hitler, by using pressure on German firms to fire Jewish workers. For this reason, the banks were known as the "SS" banks.

The role of the Abs and Dresdner banks in exploiting the Nazi-occupied countries was such that the U. S. official report termed them "the economic branch of the Wehrmacht."

The Abs bank was also shown by the report to have run companies using slave labor, and to have seized the property of Jews.

Bathless Friday Still on the Agenda

Despite an increase for the second successive day in the city's water supply, city officials emphasized that the critical shortage continued and urged public cooperation to make Friday's shaveless, bathless water holiday effective.

Commissioner Stephen J. Carney of the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity announced that the city's supply showed an increase of 1,856,000,000 gallons in the 24-hour ended at 8 a.m. yesterday. This followed a gain of 1,026,000,000 the day before.

Yesterday's gain brought the total of the city's reservoirs to 34.5 percent of capacity as compared with 33.8 Tuesday.

The gain was achieved through rainfall and conservation by the public, department officials stated. Upstate rains had stopped yesterday and predictions of snow had been revised to "clear skies."

"If we have a heavy snowfall, there will be enough water reserves to carry the city through the winter, provided it continues to practice conservation measures," said Edward J. Clark, chief water engineer.

It would take much more rainfall to bring real relief. A month's steady rain would be needed to restore this year's 168-billion-gallon water deficit, it was stressed.

URGES U.S. PROGRAM

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14 (UP).—A Government expert predicted today "a host" of areas throughout the nation—including New York City—will face long-term water supply problems because of steadily increasing use.

W. B. Langbein, hydraulic engineer of the Water Resources Division of the Geological Survey, told the United Press many regions are now "mining" underground water so rapidly the supply will never be replaced in our lifetime.

Outstanding examples of such usage, he said, are found in central Arizona in the Salt River Valley, the high plains of Texas, and California around the San Joaquin valley. He said there is no general decline of the water table—or underground—supply level throughout the country, but the problem is serious in spots.

The acute New York situation is a trifle different, he said, because most of its supply comes from surface water. But, he added, surveys show that even when the present \$440,000,000 Delaware reservoir project is completed five years hence, the city will not have solved its basic problem.

He said indications are for an ever-increasing use of water in New York, so the planned increases in supply will be at least equalized by demand. He added that long-range planning is badly needed if the present situation, only partly brought about by drought, isn't to be repeated over and over again in the future.

Langbein said the problem is a national one and should be attacked by an over-all program.

Kostov Sentenced to Death

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Dec. 14.—Former Deputy Premier Traicho Kostov was sentenced to death today for having plotted against his country for Yugoslavia and the Anglo-American bloc.

All 11 defendants in the trial were found guilty.

Five of Kostov co-defendants were sentenced to life imprisonment, three to 15 years, one to 12 years and one to eight years.

Former finance minister Dr. Ivar Stefanov and former deputy construction minister Nikola Pavlov, both received life.

With Kostov, Stefanov and Pavlov were named by the prosecution as ringleaders in the plot to assassinate the late Premier Georgi Dimitrov and to hand over Bulgaria to Yugoslavia and the west.

Stefanov and Pavlov confessed to all charges, and implicated Kostov.

The defendants were convicted of actively conspiring with Tito's spies in the plot to transform Bulgaria into a Yugoslav colony. America and Britain, it was charged, supported Tito.

The name of U. S. Minister to Sofia Donald Read Heath was mentioned in the trial and Kostov's attorney, in his final speech, said there should have been two more defendants' benches—one for the Yugoslavs and one for the "Anglo-American imperialists."

The state asserted that King Boris spared Kostov's life in 1942 and Kostov then turned agent and informer.

The verdicts and the sentences were handed down by the court at 7:45 p. m. (12:45 p. m. EST).

16 Die in Swift's Meat Plant Blast

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Dec. 14 (UP).—A devastating explosion mushroomed through the big Swift & Co. meat plant and office building today, and 16 victims were pulled from the smoking ruins.

A total of 101 other persons were treated at hospitals and the Naval Reserve station. Officials estimated that about 50 others suffered minor injuries but did not seek hospital treatment.

At least six of the injured were listed as critical.

W. J. Krebs, superintendent of the plant, reported to his Chicago headquarters that 18 were known dead.

But Lt. Cmdr. F. W. Feddersen, directing collection of the dead at the naval armory, said 14 bodies were brought there and he knew of only two other dead.

As darkness fell, hours after the explosion at 11:30 a. m., rescue workers dug through heavy slabs under a demolished loading platform just outside the plant, fearing that more bodies might be found.

Rescuers wore gas masks to protect themselves from ammonia gas seeping from blasted refrigeration units in the tangled wreckage of the five-story plant.

700 AT WORK

The blast, believed caused by leaking natural gas in the plant's heating facilities, caught most of (Continued on Page 4)

Memo to the Reader

By ALAN MAX
Managing Editor

Received a message yesterday that someone in Brooklyn wanted me out there next Sunday morning for the press drive. "At last!" I whispered to myself. "It must be Bensonhurst—land of my youth!" But it turned out to be Williamsburg. All right, Williamsburg, I'll be there. Meanwhile I wake up nights in a cold sweat as the thought strikes me that maybe Bensonhurst has been washed away by one of those waves from Gravesend Bay—where I used to swim until the authorities closed the beach so that we wouldn't pollute the sewage. O, Bensonhurst, where art thou?

Over the weekend, staff writer Bernie Burton attended a sub-drive dinner in upstate Shoe-town—the triple cities of Binghamton, Johnson City and Endicott. The towns are terribly hit by unemployment and part-time work. About a year ago these communities were almost engulfed in a redbaiting open-shop drive. Nevertheless the Worker press-builders there are out to get 50 subs this year and already had reached 25 percent of their goal by last weekend. At the dinner, Ruth Johnston, who is in charge of the press drive, said that one Worker sub can counteract the poison spread by at least twelve issues of the employer-controlled Binghamton Press and the Endicott Bulletin.

Today's POINT of ORDER

This is Bill of Rights Day. They've taken away most of our rights and just left us with bills.

Big Schenectady Vote Backs UE in GE Plant

By Max Gordon

SCHENECTADY, Dec. 14.—In a remarkable demonstration of support for the leadership of the United Electrical Workers, more than 4,000 workers in the huge General Electric plant here voted for local officers in three days of balloting which wound up today.

There was no Imitation U.E. slate. Supporters of James Carey, who had carried all but two of the major union offices in the previous Local 301 election, walked out rather than face the membership.

There was no competition for president, secretary, treasurer or business agent. All candidates for the other posts were pledged to support the UE, and this was not an issue in the election.

William J. Kelly was named president with 3,805 vote; Leo Jandreau, business agent, with 3,834 votes; John P. Green, recording secretary, with 3,766 votes; Henry Kaminski, treasurer, with 3,680 votes.

Because there was no contest for major office, the vote turnout was a tribute to the UE leadership. Charles W. Eckel, Schenectady county election commissioner who supervised the election, called it "surprisingly high."

Union officers and members estimate the support for the UE of the mass of workers in the plant as high as 85 percent. More than 14,000 are members of the UE local, one of the key organizations in the entire union.

In the last local election, the Carey forces captured every office but the vice-presidency and business agency. They were challenged to stay in the union and face the membership in this election, but withdrew when it was clear they would be licked by four or five to one.

The Carey crowd set up a new local union recently at a meeting attended by exactly 47 people, some of whom were loyal UE members attending as observers.

Western Union Asks Messenger Pay Cut

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14 (UP).—The Labor Department announced today it would hold a hearing Dec. 22 on a Western Union Telegraph Co. application for permission to pay its messengers 65 cents an hour, which is 10 cents under the newly-established minimum wage.

25 Children Stricken

Overcrowding and unsanitary conditions have resulted in an outbreak of diarrhea among the children at the Welfare Department's East 25th St. Municipal Lodging House. Twenty-five children have been stricken since Nov. 30 and three have been hospitalized.

The shelter houses 54 families with many of the children sleeping with parents because of inadequate facilities.

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SENATOR CHARGES COFFEE GOUGE OF \$650,000,000

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Sen. Guy M. Gillette (D-Ia.), charged today, on the basis of a Census Bureau survey, that the coffee drinking public has been gouged for \$650,000,000 by recent "manipulation" of the coffee market.

The survey was made at the request of Gillette's Senate Agriculture subcommittee.

Philip Hauser, acting Census director, cited figures showing there were 410,000,000 pounds of coffee in the hands of American importers, grocers and dealers on Dec. 1. This total, he said, was only slightly under that for last year, but it represented a 100,000,000 decline in supplies from Oct. 1.

No Rent When Garage Is Denied, Court Rules

An eviction case against Alex Hanian, of 2039 Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn, was decided in favor of the tenant yesterday by Municipal Court Judge Edward A. Wynne on the ground that denial of the use of any part of the premises was tantamount to partial eviction and justified non-payment of rent.

The judge ruled that since Hanian had been denied the use of his garage since July, he did not have to pay the three months' rent that he has withheld, and that as long as the garage continues to be padlocked, non-payment of rent may continue.

Mrs. Fay Stevelman, the owner, had six months ago ordered Hanian to pay an addition \$25 monthly for use of the garage. Hanian refused.

Mrs. Stevelman then padlocked the garage and a storeroom that the tenant was using in the basement. The tenant applied to the Office of Housing Expeditor which took four months to decide that the \$55 monthly rental also included garage use. The OHE granted a \$5 monthly reduction in rent because of curtailment of services. In October, Hanian began withholding his rent.

When the landlord asked yesterday whether Mrs. Stevelman could receive December's rent if she opened the garage, Judge Wynne said that since two weeks had already past, the rental in that case would start as of January, 1950.

Sea Engineers Hit SIU Strikebreaking

CIO Marine Engineers Beneficial Association Local 33 yesterday called upon AFL locals in New York to condemn the open strikebreaking of the AFL Seafarers International Union. The SIU has been supplying strikebreakers to the Isbrandtsen Steamship Co., which the MEBA struck Aug. 30.

The MEBA has also charged CIO National Maritime Union President Joseph Curran with forcing NMU members to sail Isbrandtsen ships. An NMU Port of New York meeting several weeks ago condemned Curran's action in the strike.

O'D in Seclusion

JUPITER, Fla., Dec. 14 (UP).—Mayor William O'Dwyer rested in seclusion here today, hoping the Florida sun will speed his recovery from a bad chest cold.

He came to Florida by train late Monday and spent the day aboard the Yacht Almar II yesterday, cruising between here and Hobe Sound.

Berlin Greets Vishinsky

BERLIN, Dec. 14.—Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Vishinsky told a welcoming delegation at the airport here today that the Soviet Union would continue to give the Democratic Republic of Germany its full support in accordance with "the great foreign policy of Stalin toward the German people as well as other peace-loving peoples."

Vishinsky was due to be a guest of honor tonight at a reception at the residence of Wilhelm Pieck, president of the republic.

Georg Dertinger, the republic's foreign minister, stated in an address of welcome to Vishinsky:

"Your proposals for overall disarmament, outlawing atomic weapons and concluding a peace pact among the great powers have met with the enthusiastic approval of the democratic forces in Germany."

May Quinn Case May Be Up Today

Action on the case of May A. Quinn charged with making anti-Negro, anti-Jewish statements in her class at Pershing Junior High School may be taken this afternoon at the Board of Education executive session, it was rumored yesterday. William Jansen, superintendent of Schools, dumped the case into the Board's lap on Monday without recommendation.

The full membership of the board will be present for a meeting on award of contracts by its Building and Sites Committee. The public meeting starts at 4 p.m.

Whether action will be taken at today's meeting or at the next regular board meeting Dec. 22 is not definitely known, however.

Recognizes Panama

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The U. S. State Department today recognized the new government of Panama. Secretary of State Dean Acheson said the government deplored the way Amulfo Arias had obtained the presidency of Panama, but that the new government fulfils the usual requirements.

Ted Tinsley Says appears Tuesday and Thursday and in the weekend Worker.

East Side Action Bars Eviction of Negro

Mass community action set off by the Lower East Side section of the Communist Party yesterday prevented a landlord from evicting a Negro family. Mr. and Mrs. Major

Butler and their three-year old daughter had been living doubled up with another family for more than a year, although Mr. Butler is a veteran and therefore entitled to veterans' housing priority. When they recently accepted the invitation of a friend to move into her vacant apartment at 259 Henry St., the landlord, Benjamin Gold, threatened immediate eviction. Gold declared the permanent tenant had no right to invite friends to stay while she was away, and added, "After all, I have to protect his investment."

The Lower East Side section took immediate action, enlisting the support of the nursery school which Janice Butler attends. Joining the action were the American Labor Party, the Civil Rights Congress and other organizations. Tenants in the building signed letters protesting the eviction and the landlord was deluged with phone calls.

At the end of the month Gold accepted the rent without question and dropped his eviction plans.

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the 700 employees at work in the building.

It ripped upward from the basement where an estimated 25 to 30 men were wrapping hams and packing bacon.

Part of the first floor and part of one wall collapsed into the basement with a muffled roar.

The two-foot thick walls of the brick building bulged, debris flew through the air and windows shattered outward with ear-cracking force.

Immediately, uninjured employees ran to the windows for air, their eyes and throats burning from escaping ammonia.

Women workers appeared at the windows screaming for help.

Hundreds of police, firemen, Red Cross workers, National Guardsmen and physicians raced to the scene.

Fire ladders were raised to the gaping windows and many employees scrambled down to safety. A small fire was extinguished quickly and rescuers began digging through the heaped-up debris for the victims.

One rescuer told of carrying out 30 to 40 persons, some of them lifeless.

The dead and injured, many of the latter still moaning, were laid on the ground until ambulance crews could rush them to hospitals. Some were loaded on beer trucks and other passing vehicles.

The armory was set up as a temporary morgue and weeping crowds of relatives gathered to view the torn bodies stretched out in cots to attempt identification.

CP DEMANDS CITY HOUSING BILL ADD ANTI-BIAS CLAUSE

The New York State Communist Party, through S. W. Gerson, Legislative Chairman, yesterday denounced the failure of Councilman Joseph Sharkey to provide guarantees against discrimination in slum clearance and urban redevelopment program authorized by the 1949 Federal Housing Act. It demanded that iron-clad guarantees against discrimination be incorporated in the Sharkey bill.

"It is highly significant," the statement declared, "that this bill was introduced after the illegal expulsion of the only Negro in the City Council, Benjamin J. Davis, whose joint fight with Councilman Impellitteri resulted in the present law

Bare Felony Conviction Of Stoolie

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—Manning R. Johnson, Government stoolpigeon in the trial of Harry Bridges, was revealed on cross-examination today to have been convicted of a felony in 1926 in Alliance, Neb., in connection with the National Prohibition Act.

Martin MacInnis, defense attorney for Bridges, told Judge George B. Harris he had received a wire from the chief of police of Alliance affirming the conviction, and that a certified copy of the conviction was on the way.

The judge, however, ruled cross-examination of Johnson on the conviction must await arrival of the certified copy.

Johnson had just before this denied under oath he had ever been convicted of a felony.

Jeff School Bazaar Friday

The Jefferson School Holiday Bazaar opens tomorrow (Friday) at 6 p. m., at the school's building at 6th Ave. and 16th St., and will continue to midnight, Sunday. The event will include not only bargain-buying but square dancing, children's programs and music.

The second floor auditorium is rapidly being reshaped with booths, tables and stock shelves offering bargains in women's and men's clothing, in children's things, in bric-a-brac, household furnishings, jewelry, groceries, and a thousand other items.

Students of the sculpture painting and ceramics classes have been making items for sale, as have painting students, under the guidance of their instructors.

Net proceeds will go to the School's depleted scholarship fund.

Lectures on Stalin At Jefferson School

In celebration of the 70th birthday of Joseph V. Stalin, the Jefferson School is designating the week of Dec. 19 as "Stalin Week" at the school. Throughout the week there will be lectures by members of the staff and faculty on Stalin's contributions.

The lectures will be given from 8 to 9 p. m. next Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

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Blast Kills Many In Meat Plant

SIoux CITY, Ia., Dec. 14 (UP).—Shattering explosion twisted the sprawling meat plant and office building of Swift and Co. into a smoking shambles today, killing at least 13 persons and injuring up to 200.

The National Guard made a tentative estimate of 30 to 35 dead and a Red Cross official said at least 30 persons were killed.

The blast rocked the plant at about 11:30 a.m. and some floors were reported to have caved into the basement. One wall was reported blown out.

Deputy sheriff Ralph Hindman said the blast was believed to have occurred in an ammonia plant. He said some rescue workers told of seeing bodies "hanging from the rafters."

20th Century-Fox Suspends Mature

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 14 (UP).—Film actor Victor Mature was under suspension by 20th Century-Fox studios today for refusing to make a picture at another studio.

He told friends he turned down a RKO script because he did not want to play another gangster role.

Bathless Friday Still on the Agenda

Despite an increase for the second successive day in the city's water supply, city officials emphasized that the critical shortage continued and urged public cooperation to make Friday's shaveless, bathless water holiday effective.

Commissioner Stephen J. Camcy of the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity announced that the city's supply showed an increase of 1,856,000,000 gallons in the 24-hour ended at 8 a.m. yesterday. This followed a gain of 1,026,000,000 the day before.

Yesterday's gain brought the total of the city's reservoirs to 34.5 percent of capacity as compared with 33.8 Tuesday.

The gain was achieved through rainfall and conservation by the public, department officials stated. Upstate rains had stopped yesterday and predictions of snow had been revised to "clear skies."

"If we have a heavy snowfall, there will be enough water reserves to carry the city through the winter, provided it continues to practice conservation measures," said Edward J. Clark, chief water engineer.

It would take much more rainfall to bring real relief. "A month's steady rain would be needed to restore this year's 168-billion-gallon water deficit, it was stressed.

URGES U.S. PROGRAM

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14 (UP).—A Government expert predicted today "a host" of areas throughout the nation—including New York City—will face long-term water supply problems because of steadily increasing use.

W. B. Langbein, hydraulic en-

Top Nazi Financier in U. S.; State Dep't Won't Tell Why

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—A leading Nazi financier, Herman Abs, has been in the United States since Nov. 17, Sen. Guy Gillette (D-Iowa), revealed today. The Senator said he has demanded that the State Department explain why Abs' presence here has been such a closely guarded secret.

NLRB to Ask Court Order Against Typos

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The National Labor Relations Board said today it will seek U. S. Circuit Court enforcement of its order directing the AFL International Typographical Union to stop violating the Taft-Hartley law's closed shop ban.

Elisha Hanson, general counsel of the American Newspaper Publishers Association, asked the board on Dec. 1 to take the case to the court.

named Vock and Treue, came to the U. S. to confer with a committee of "standstill" creditors of Germany concerning amounts owed U. S. banks by German debtors since 1931.

The department said they were invited by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. Gillette said the New York bank had failed to confirm this.

Gillette said he was informed that Abs was allowed to leave Germany traveling on a French zone passport for purposes of "legitimate commercial business."

The Iowa Senator said the State Department admitted it did not know what "personal contacts" Abs might be making in the U. S. He talked with officials in the Bureau of German Affairs of the State Department while in Washington, it was said.

Gillette criticized the State Department for not making any public announcement of Abs' visit in view of his "significant strategic role" in Nazi Germany as well as in postwar Germany. "In the present governing circles of the newly-formed Bonn republic it would seem clear that his visit to the United States and the reason for it are of exceptionally great interest to the American people," Gillette said.

In March, 1945, Abs was listed as one of the most important financiers who supported Hitler and profited under the Nazi regime. Baron Kurt von Schroeder reportedly told American investigators in Germany that Abs had rendered valuable assistance to Hitler.

Queried by the Daily Worker in New York, a Federal Reserve Bank spokesman promised to have a press relations representative call back on the Abs visit. The call, however, was not received.

Abs, a director of the Deutsche Bank during the Hitler regime, was the Nazis' "official looter" of the countries seized by Germany. As a matter of fact, Abs was denounced in 1948 in a special U. S. Military Government report, for his role in exploiting the Nazi-occupied territories. Last February, in company with such men as Herman Dinkelbach, financial backer of Hitler's SS, Abs was named by the Anglo-American occupation authorities to the 1-man board to administer the Ruhr iron and steel trusts.

A special report by Lt. Gen. Lucius Clay, former U. S. military occupation chief in Germany, termed Abs "a most energetic officer" who had "excellent standing" with (Dr. Hjalmar) Schacht (when he was president of the Reichsbank) and (Walter) Funk (also a Reichsbank president).



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bank) and (Walter) Funk (also a Reichsbank president)."

The Deutsche Bank, in which Abs was a preeminent figure as one of Germany's top banker-industrialists, was declared in 1947 (one year before Gen. Clay's tribute to Abs) to have been an active partner of the Nazis in the politi-

cal and economic domination of Europe, by a U. S. Military Government investigation.

The probe showed that the Deutsche Bank violated the Versailles Treaty by financing German rearmament, providing secret credits to the Nazi government and to clandestine war industries. The Abs Bank was shown to be closely linked with Krupp, I. G. Farben, the Goering works, and other leaders of German heavy industry. The AMG probe also showed that the Deutsche and another bank, the Dresdner, played a major role in "Aryanizing" German industry after Hitler, by using pressure on German firms to fire Jewish workers. For this reason, the banks were known as the "SS" banks.

The role of the Abs and Dresdner banks in exploiting the Nazi-occupied countries was such that the U. S. official report termed them "the economic branch of the Wehrmacht."

The Abs bank was also shown by the report to have run companies using slave labor, and to have seized the property of Jews.

Kostov Sentenced to Death as Plotter

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Dec. 14.—Former Deputy Premier Traicho Kostov was sentenced to death today for having plotted against his country for Yugoslavia and the Anglo-American bloc.

All 11 defendants in the trial were found guilty.

Five of Kostov co-defendants were sentenced to life imprisonment, three to 15 years, one to 12 years and one to eight years.

Former finance minister Dr. Ivar Stefanov and former deputy construction minister Nikola Pavlov, both received life.

With Kostov, Stefanov and Pavlov were named by the prosecution as ringleaders in the plot to assassinate the late Premier Georgi Dimitrov and to hand over Bulgaria to Yugoslavia and the west. Stefanov and Pavlov confessed to all charges, and implicated Kostov.

The defendants were convicted

of actively conniving with Tito's spies in the plot to transform Bulgaria into a Yugoslav colony. America and Britain, it was charged, supported Tito.

The name of U. S. Minister to Sofia Donald Read Heath was mentioned in the trial and Kostov's attorney, in his final speech, said there should have been two more defendants' benches—one for the Yugoslavs and one for the "Anglo-American imperialists."

The state asserted that King Boris spared Kostov's life in 1942 and Kostov then turned agent and informer.

The verdicts and the sentences were handed down by the court at 7:45 p. m. (12:45 p. m. EST).

Memo to the Reader

By ALAN MAX
Managing Editor

Received a message yesterday that someone in Brooklyn wanted me out there next Sunday morning for the press drive. "At last!" I whispered to myself. "It must be Bensonhurst—land of my youth!" But it turned out to be Williamsburg. All right, Williamsburg, I'll be there. Meanwhile I wake up nights in a cold sweat as the thought strikes me that maybe Bensonhurst has been washed away by one of those waves from Gravesend Bay—where I used to swim until the authorities closed the beach so that we wouldn't pollute the sewage. O, Bensonhurst, where art thou?

Over the weekend, staff writer Bernie Burton attended a sub-drive dinner in upstate Shoenetown—the triple cities of Binghamton, Johnson City and Endicott. The towns are terribly hit by unemployment and part-time work. About a year ago these communities were almost engulfed in a red-baiting open-shop drive. Nevertheless the Worker press-builders there are out to get 50 subs this year and already had reached 25 percent of their goal by last weekend. At the dinner, Ruth Johnston, who is in charge of the press drive, said that one Worker sub can counteract the poison spread by at least twelve issues of the employer-controlled Binghamton Press and the Endicott Bulletin.

Today's POINT of ORDER

This is Bill of Rights Day. They've taken away most of our rights and just left us with bills.

Ask New State Rent-Freeze Law

A state law freezing rents at the July 1, 1947, levels, was proposed yesterday by the New York Tenant Council to the two-day legislative conference of the State Democratic Party. A statement submitted by Isidore Blumberg, executive secretary of the council, also urged legislation validating city rent law 75 which gives the New York City Rent Commission authority to pass on rent boosts okayed by the Office of Housing Expediter.

Strengthening of rent control laws is necessary, Blumberg pointed out, because the federal government is abandoning its pro-

gram and playing along with the realty interests.

The Tenant Council proposed that the Civil Practice Act be amended to permit extension of stays of eviction from six months to one year.

An additional \$500,000,000 bond issue for loans and localities and further increase in subsidies was suggested in order to make way for an extended public housing program still sorely needed.

"We propose the enactment of legislation prohibiting discrimination based on race, creed, national origin, or political affiliation in the

sale, lease or rental of residential property heretofore or hereafter built," Blumberg stressed.

The tenant leader said his organization "strongly opposes any action by the legislature to permit any further increase in transit fares."

"We propose, instead, that the Democratic Party sponsor and support legislation providing for a return to the five-cent fare, together with such other fiscal measures as will provide greater state aid to New York City, as well as an extension of its borrowing and taxing power."

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Shipowners Direct Expulsions in NMU

The shipowners, who have been directing the expulsions in the National Maritime Union behind the scenes, came out in the open this week. Militant union members who have not yet had their books yanked by Curran and the police in the Port of New York

were refused employment, however, by the steamship companies when they shipped out of the union hall. After these men were refused jobs, the companies demanded that the union officials yank their books.

Here is a typical example of this

type of open shipowner intervention in the affairs of the NMU:

Jack Kalish threw in a "killer" card at the union hall, and was sent down to the Moore McCormick Steamship Co. When he arrived at the company office he was

told the following:

"You are refused employment in this company because you have had trouble in the union."

When Kalish returned to the union hall with the rejection slip from the company, his book was immediately taken away from him.

Kalish is an old-timer in the union, with a record of forcing the shipowners to live up to the terms of the union contract on every ship on which he has sailed.

COMPANY BLACKLIST

From this case, and there are a number of others in the past week, this much is clear: the shipowners have a blacklist, which they have set up over the years, of every union member who has fought the beefs and organized crews in support of the economic demands of the union.

They waited a good many years for this day, and now figure the time is ripe to step openly into the affairs of the NMU with their blacklist and issue orders openly to Curran.

Furthermore, this open intervention shows that the shipowners have no confidence that Curran can deliver. The nominations for the general elections in the union start in a couple of weeks, and "You gotta go, Joe" is no longer a slogan, but a possible reality that the shipowners have to face.

Then there is the rising tide in the union to fight against the coming Supreme Court decision to outlaw rotary hiring through the union hall.

At tonight's membership meeting, Curran will bring in some of the names of good union members on the shipowners' blacklist and demand they be expelled from the union.

However, nothing that Curran may succeed in doing can stop the membership from organizing better and fighting still harder and more effectively against the shipowners. The shipowners will find out their open intervention will have the same effect as trying to put out a fire with gasoline.

Shake Up the Hated Shape-Up

By Jack Karan

East Coast longshoremen, longtime victims of the shape-up, should be made aware of what lies in store for them.

During the past year, we have been treated to a whole series of sensational exposes about *Crime on the Waterfront*. Last year the N. Y. Sun's Malcolm Johnson got himself a Pulitzer prize for his series. This week the *Brooklyn Eagle* started a new sensational series on crimes in Brooklyn, promising to touch on "pier rackets." There have also been investigations of the waterfront, the latest ones by Commissioner of Investigations Murtagh and District Attorney Hogan.

Hogan's report, issued last month, again highlighted the shape-up system as the main reason for crime on the waterfront.

"The waterfront now competes with the city's most depressed slum areas as a spawning place of crime," the report declared. "This unhealthy condition results from the methods of hiring labor long abandoned in other great ports. The lack of any assurance of regular employment, and the complete dependence of the men on the favor of gang and dock bosses who do the hiring, perfectly set up the industry for control by racketeers."

The report states that the Dis-

trict Attorney's office continues to investigate and prosecute the specific instances of waterfront crime.

CRIMES UNPUNISHED

The last statement, of course is simply not so. Ninety-nine percent of the crimes on the waterfront have gone unsolved. It has been alleged that there is a tieup between the waterfront racketeers and bigshots in the city administration.

The Pete Panto murder remains unsolved after ten years. Racketeering on the piers despite assertions to the contrary flourish now more than ever.

Dockers who may welcome an airing of the evils have no reason for complacency about the suggested remedy. It is an open secret that the shipowner organs and spokesmen want to institute a government-fink hiring hall to replace the fink-shape-up.

None of the "pioneers against crime" has suggested a democratically controlled union hiring hall, which could really clear up the "breeding places" of crime. None demands an end to the discrimination on the waterfront.

In their plans for a new war and greater profits they seek to guarantee a steady flow of boss-controlled labor.

Dockers will continue to fight to put an end to the detested shape-up and aim for a rotary system of hiring run by themselves.

MCS SUPPORTS TRAMP FLEET; NOTES GOV'T OBLIGATIONS

Shipowners were reminded that when they receive taxpayers' money from the U. S. Treasury, they have the obligation of meeting the best labor standards "agreed to in collective bargaining." This reminder came from the Marine, Cooks and Stewards Union in a statement to the U. S. Maritime Commission, which is conducting hearings on granting subsidies to operate a tramp cargo fleet.

Section 301 (a) of the 1936 Merchant Marine Act, which provides for maximum labor standards, arrived at through collective bargaining, is being violated, it was charged.

The MC&S supports the building of a tramp fleet, of at least

200 vessels, which will provide at least 8,000 more job opportunities. But it warns against permitting such subsidized companies to operate with manning scales, working conditions or wage rates below those existing in companies under contract to the MC&S.

Finally, though backing the current proposal for a tramp fleet, it asserts that this is a temporary aid and not a cure-all for the ills of the industry.

Marine Log

By John Childs

The SIU has reopened the wage scale clauses of its contracts and is demanding provision for a company-financed welfare plan for its members via a 25 cent per payroll day contribution for each man.

A further decline in American exports of \$55,900,000 for October has been reported by the Census Bureau.

Total merchant marine tonnage flying the Norwegian flag is now 4,980,000 tons as compared to the prewar fleet of 4,800,000 tons.

The SIU has been officially certified as collective bargaining agent for all unlicensed personnel employed on the Cities Service Oil tanker fleet and has requested the company to open negotiations for a contract.

The number of ships running between the Great Lakes and foreign ports this year set a new record with 25 vessels and 71 sailings.

The West Coast MM&P has announced ratification by the membership of its new contract with the Pacific Maritime Association providing for wage parity with East Coast deck officers, adjustments in working rules, a welfare plan.

Overseas airlines continue to cut deeply into ships' passenger business, with the number of air passengers topping the ships' total for three of the past twelve months, according to the U. S. Customs.

The States Marine Corporation is establishing a new cargo service between North America ports and Venezuela employing Norwegian flag ships.

A total of 2,112 American taxpayer-built ocean-going ships are laid up in the country's boneyards as of Nov. 1 consisting of 1,456 Liberty freighters, 13 Liberty tankers, 258 Victory ships and 61 coastal cargo vessels.

The National Federation of American Shipping reports a total of 1,206 ocean-going ships in the privately-owned American flag fleet, aggregating 14,268,000 deadweight tons, as of Nov. 1, about 470,000 tons of which are inactive.

4 Sea Unions Set Up Council On Unemployed

The Marine Firemen (MFO&W), independent, after setting up an Unemployment Committee in the Port of New York, sent out a call to all other maritime unions for a conference to set up a joint committee for united action. Three unions responded ARA (Radio-operators), the Marine Cooks and the Marine Engineers. The four unions established what is tentatively known as the Joint Maritime Unemployment Council of the Port of New York.

The Council planned to take immediate steps for a meeting with the Division of Placement and Unemployment Insurance to demand that some of the kinks holding up prompt payment of unemployment insurance to seamen be straightened out.

The Council further planned to take steps to start protests against some contemplated changes in the New York State insurance laws affecting seamen.

For example, the law would be changed so that unemployment insurance for seamen would be on the same basis as relief. If you had any money in the bank or if any of your relatives had any money, you would not get any unemployment insurance. Another provision would provide for only one period of unemployment instead of the present provision, which carries over into a second period.

Finally, the Council planned to seek higher benefits without any red tape.

members across the street came to the rescue. There were no cops to interfere at the particular moment and the goons were splattered all over the sidewalk. The police then came and stopped the distribution.

PHILADELPHIA. — Donahue, ACTU port agent of the NMU, has announced that from now on any member who dares to criticize any official will be brought up on charges of slander and expelled from the union. Since the announcement, several members have been brought up on such charges.

NEW ORLEANS. — The membership meeting of the Marine Firemen (MFO&W), independent, passed a resolution condemning the shipowners and government officials for their fourth attempt to frame Harry Bridges. The resolution was sent to all ports for action. The membership meeting in New York concurred with the resolution from New Orleans.

News from Ships and Ports

S. S. BRAZIL. — The Coast Guard pulled a Negro radio operator off when the S. S. Brazil arrived in New York this trip. The radio operator is to be "investigated" on charges of being "subversive." The Coast Guard is denying re-issuance of licenses to

radio operators whom shipowners list as "subversive." The definition of "subversive" can be gauged by the fact that one radio operator was denied a re-issuance because he admitted under questioning that he was "in favor of higher wages and against racial discrimination."

in the lower bunks have to wedge themselves in.

Only three union members are in the crew because the union halls have been closed down on the Lakes end. On the New York end the dispatcher announces that this company is "unorganized."

How about a little action by the membership on checking on these jobs and wage cutting contracts?

S. S. EXMOUTH. — Ships meeting in Bombay, India, unanimously passed a resolution demanding that the NMU officials send out a call for a conference of all maritime unions to take joint steps to protect the union hiring halls. The resolution further demanded that a referendum be conducted calling for strike action in the event the Supreme Court rules rotary shipping through the union hall illegal.

NEW YORK. — Twelve of Curran's imported Gulf goons sneaked up on two union members distributing leaflets in front of the union hall and tried to dump them. Half a dozen union

M. B. ROBERT BARNES FITZ-Eric and St. Lawrence Corp. — The National Office of the NMU announced that a new contract had been signed with this company covering three vessels, including the above.

A checkup on board this vessel on what the "new" contract contains reveals the following: The wage scale is \$40 below the deep sea scale. In previous contracts the company was forced to pay \$5 above the deep sea scale.

The oilers on watch are required to chip, paint, soogee and shine brass the clock around, including Saturday, Sunday and holidays. Six A.B.'s are crowded into a tiny fore's'l. The bunks are sagging so badly that the men

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Village Defeats Witchhunters, Honors Pastor

Special to the Daily Worker

VERNON, Mich., Dec. 14.—George Sokolsky, the columnist, thought that he had easy pickings when he tipped off American Legion brass hats that the Rev. Albert Kauffman of Vernon was writing letters to Soviet Russia Today.

Rev. Kauffman in the October issue of the magazine, wrote that the Vatican and some legionnaires were whipping up war hysteria and were not aiding the cause of peace.

The Legion brass, in the midst of a state convention, sought to

make this a big issue. They demanded, with the help of the Detroit daily warmongering press, that Rev. Kauffman be removed as minister of the Vernon Congregational Church and as a school superintendent in nearby Sunfield.

GIFT FROM STUDENTS

But their scheme sputtered out last week when the students of Sunfield presented Rev. Kauffman with a gold watch chain bought with their pennies and nickels as a token of their continued esteem.

Most of Sunfield's citizens and many farmers were present when the students made the award in the school auditorium. They roared their approval.

"They hoped to make an example of Rev. Kauffman," one of his friends in Vernon said, "so that no one around here would dare to speak his mind."

REPEATS STAND

In his sermon last Sunday, Rev. Kauffman declared, "The question of war or peace is the biggest question of the day. We must not surrender our right of free speech."

"The American people are tired of witchhunts," he declared. "They are bored to death with the red scare."

Hundreds of letters supporting Rev. Kauffman have been received by the Sunfield School Board from people in all walks of

life, workers, students, clergymen, business people and members of the American Legion.

The weekly Durand Express, county newspaper, in an editorial titled Let's Not Start a Witch-hunt declared, "If we don't quell this hysteria we will stamp out ourselves one of our most sacred heritages—the right of free speech."

The overwhelming support for Rev. Kauffman swung the wavering school board of Sunfield to reverse a vote to dismiss their superintendent. A proposed mass meeting of Sunfield residents was cancelled by reactionaries on the school board when they learned the temper of the local citizens.

Thus the people rallied to defend their minister and school superintendent who spoke out for peace and cooperation with the Soviet Union.

Furniture Union Board Rejects Pizer Stand

The General Executive Board of the CIO United Furniture Workers has rejected the demand of UFW president Morris Pizer that it fully conform with top CIO political dictates, it was announced Friday. The board, after a three-day session, at the Hotel McAlpin, voted to continue its fight for democracy in the CIO.

Instead of going along with Pizer, the Board's resolution rejected "the constitutional changes which bring into the CIO the Taft-Hartley law and all its far-reaching implications." The Board called for strengthening the unity of the union and condemned the "arbitrary and dictatorial expulsion of the UE (United Electrical Workers) and FE (Farm Equipment Union), without even so much as a hearing."

BLAST RAIDS

Blasting CIO raiding activities as "cannibalistic," the Board called for continuing the struggle for autonomy and the right of the rank and file to "democratically decide what their program and policy shall be and who shall lead our union." The Board resolution also stated that "we will fight to stay in the CIO with honor and autonomy."

The Board urged that the CIO launch a program for wage increases and shorter hours to combat unemployment instead of devoting its energies to attacking progressive-led unions.

The Board's resolution as well as Pizer's stand were referred for final action to the next convention of the union to be held in Chicago in June, 1950. The Board also voted to present a vigorous defense of the union's policies at the coming CIO "trial."

Tenants Picket To Protest Gov't OK of Rent Hike

Members of the Manhattan Tenants Council yesterday picketed from noon to 2 p.m. the Area Office of the Housing Expeditor at 535 Fifth Ave., to protest the high number of approvals of landlord petitions for rent boosts. Many women and children from organized houses in the borough participated.

The pickets carried signs reading: "No Increase Without a Hearing," "We Want to See the Landlords' Bills," "Tighe Woods Stop Stoozing for the Landlords," and "End Jimcrow In Housing."

The OHE office in the New York rental area has been okaying about 75 percent of the landlords' applications for boosts. Tenants are not given the opportunity to refute the landlords' statistics on alleged increased expenses.

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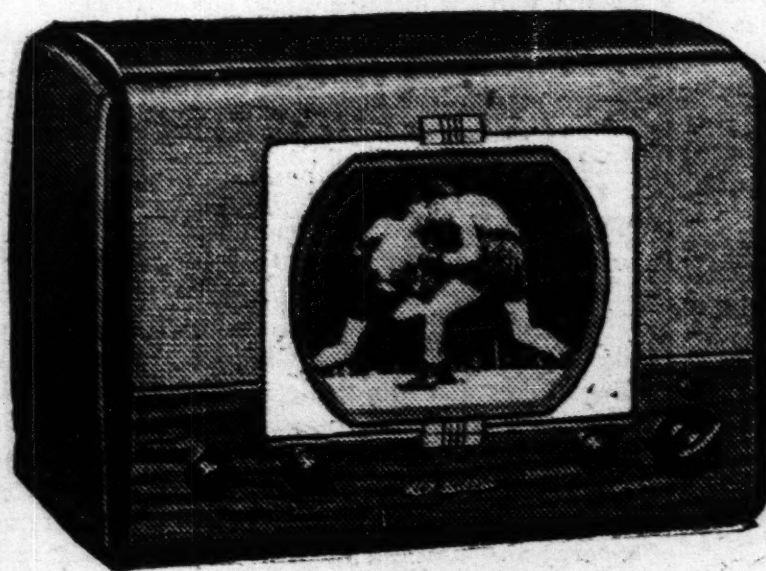
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Of Things to Come Controversy About Africa

By John Pittman

MANAGING EDITOR Dan Burley of The New York Age has begun a campaign to enlist his readers in the cause of a free and independent Africa. This brings him into head-on collision with some very important people.

And I don't mean Mr. and Mrs. Paul Robeson, or Dr. Alphaeus Hunton and Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, of the Council on African Affairs, who have been assembling and sending out facts about Africa for more than a decade, hoping fervently that the Negro and trade union press would join the good fight in their own interest.



On the contrary, Mr. Burley will find the Council ready to supply him with an arsenal of information, which, when the firing begins, he'll need.

Because, although The Age is a Negro weekly with certain traditions of militancy, and although Mr. Burley is a newspaperman of talent and imagination, in taking up the cudgels for Africa, they have challenged the powers-that-be.

His Excellency, Harry S. Truman, for one. The eight billionaire families that own and control the bulk of corporate wealth in our country. And, among others, the Congress, Pentagon, State Department, Cabinet, and so on.

But, of all these, the VIPs most likely to cause Mr. Burley trouble are Negro spokesmen such as Willard Saxby Townsend, president of the CIO United Transport Service Employees.

MR. BURLEY'S READERS will not be deceived by President Truman's Point Four proposals. Most of them will see through the halo of humanitarianism around the skull-and-bones of naked exploitation.

Nor are Negro readers likely to be duped into believing that the current conversion of African cities into war bases will bring health, freedom and prosperity to the African peoples.

But when Mr. Townsend speaks and writes in support of the Marshall Plan, when he declares that "we are winning the battle for civil rights" and implies that this is the work of the Truman Administration, when he tries to harness Negro workers to the anti-Soviet war plans of the Pentagon—when Mr. Townsend does these things, he is acting in direct opposition to the cause of African independence.

The billionaire plunderers in England, France, Belgium and Holland use "Labor" spokesmen and "Socialists" to sell the cold-blooded exploitation of colonial peoples to the English, French, Belgian and Dutch trade unionists, so as to head off sympathetic action in behalf of the colonial peoples among the European workers.

And the eight billionaire families of the USA have their Townsends, whose function it is to head off actions of international solidarity among the Negro people.

How will Mr. Burley handle the Townsends?

IT IS A BROAD controversy about to open. For although Mr. Burley and The Age are the first among the Negro weeklies to launch a campaign in behalf of Africa at this time, they will soon have company.

Mr. Burley is careful to differentiate his proposals from the old "back-to-Africa" scheme of Marcus Garvey. He wants an "organized movement in the United States not to send Negroes back to Africa but to back up a drive with money and influence to free Africa so all of us can advance in world regard."

Nevertheless, there are certain parallels: both view the link between U. S. Negroes and Africans as primarily "racial"; both come at times of growing disillusionment among U. S. Negroes with the processes of achieving first class U. S. citizenship.

But the question of international solidarity with the African peoples goes far beyond "racial" aspects. For that share of the dollar derived from the plunder of a ghetto in Alabama which finds its way into a Wall Street pocket, is joined there by a share of the pound sterling derived from the exploitation of African labor. It is the same pocket, and belongs to the common enemy of both Africans and U. S. Negroes.

It is also the enemy of the white working men and women of Europe and the U. S.

Money and influence in behalf of Africa will help. But a more decisive blow for freedom would be struck if U. S. Negroes and U. S. white trade unionists should unite in the 1950 election to stop Wall Street's "cold war" and force the Truman Administration to enforce the Bill of Rights for all Americans.

VIRGIL



By Len Kleis

World of Labor

By
George
Morris

AFL Mossbacks Cry Over 'Brother' Chiang's Fate

THE SIGHT of the 15 old men on the AFL's executive council sitting at a table, shedding tears for their dear Brother Chiang Kai-shek is a show for sore eyes. I didn't actually see it. The council's sessions are closed. But I saw the next thing to it—the current issue of the AFL's Weekly News Service.

The main story is headlined "Communists' Far East Drive Threatens AFL Workers' Jobs." Below are maps showing how their beloved friend Chiang has been swept off the vast stretches of China. Arrows point to the bordering lands of Indo-China, Burma, India, South Korea and to the Philippines and Indonesia as "next" in line. The accompanying story is enough to make Bill Green's hair stand up.



Hundreds of millions of people are sweeping towards freedom under Communist leadership, paying no attention to the yelping poodle dogs of the AFL. Only a few weeks ago, in their convention, these monarchs over labor passed a resolution on China that was as vicious as the stuff we get from the mad dogs who have been calling for U. S. military intervention. But their dear Brother Chiang is already off the Chinese mainland. The situation certainly looks bad for the phonies.

BUT THE AFL leaders are still as narrow-minded as they were back in the days when exclusion of Chinese from America was one of their "principles." It still is with mossbacks like Dan Tobin. Some AFL unions still bar Chinese from union membership. They think that a cock-and-bull story of the threat to AFL jobs, if areas supplying tungsten or other key metals become liberated, is an effective approach to win the support of their members for a pro-imperialist line.

If these far eastern peoples don't "keep their freedoms," shout the AFL's, these vital raw materials would be cut off "and our industries would be greatly handicapped and our living standards endangered."

The sight of these old watchdogs of reaction weeping over the "lost freedoms" of the Chinese people is comparable to Hitler crying over the plight of the Jews. I don't recall any special worry from the AFL's leadership over the loss of these raw materials when Japan overran China and much more.

Since the days America embarked on an open imperialist policy with conquest of the Philippines, the West Indies and through a dollar diplomacy, Latin America and China, most of these very members of the AFL's council were, as Mao Tse-tung would put it, "running dogs of imperialism." They slapped down every protest voice within the AFL against such policy. But now that the Chinese people have freed themselves and driven out Butcher Chiang and showed the whole world that even an American diplomat cannot flaunt their law and dignity, the AFL phonies have their crying towels out.

THE AFL leaders carried out the same policy against the Soviet Union. They opposed recognition of the first workers' republic from its inception, and they still regret Roosevelt's opening of diplomatic relations with it. Now the sector of the world under Communist leadership embraces 800,000,000 people, and they still cling to their reactionary position.

Times have changed, however, and swept swiftly by these ancient gentlemen. They will make less progress with their "Red Peril" cry than they did with their screams of a "Yellow Peril" in earlier years.

True, the workers will think of this problem in terms of jobs and their standard of living. But they will see that their interests are bound up with the liberation of the Chinese people, not the imperialist aims of Wall Street and their stooge Chiang. Every worker knows that the raw materials we need from China will be available to us in greater abundance than ever through the medium of friendly diplomatic relations with the New China and a trade agreement. Every worker knows the tremendous potential market in China for the goods of American industries that are even today operating part-time.

Moreover, Americans know well the drawback that "coolie standards" have always been on living standards in the world. The New China means the beginning of an era of rising standards among its 450,000,000 people and an end to a condition when their cheaply produced products are used to beat down the standards of workers elsewhere.

Letters from Readers

On the Meaning Of 'Masculine'

Washington, D. C.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I have a letter from a Brooklyn reader vigorously criticizing me for quoting with apparent approval an excerpt from a speech by the Negro sociologist, Dr. E. Franklin Frazier. Hailing Paul Robeson, Dr. Frazier said:

"Let me remind you that in American culture the Negro male has never been permitted to play a masculine role . . . this is partly why white America has become incensed at Paul Robeson. Mr. Robeson represents the Negro man in the masculine role as a fearless and independent thinker."

Our reader pointedly replies: "Does it mean that the 'feminine role' should be to serve, to follow humbly, to be directed? Does it mean that a woman who like Harriet Tubman or Claudia Jones takes a leading role in the struggle against oppression, thereby becomes 'masculine'?"

I agree with the reader that the term, as used in this brief excerpt and without elaboration, was invidious. I took it, however, that Dr. Frazier was basing his

remark upon the history of slavery with its pre-feudal enslavement of women. The role which feudal and subsequent bourgeois society permitted woman was always one of inferiority which had much in common with chattel slavery.

The white ruling class of America, therefore, has been the oppressor of women in general and of the Negro people as a whole. I think this was Dr. Frazier's meaning when he said that white America has sought to cast the Negro in a "feminine" role.

But whatever Dr. Frazier's meaning, the fact remains that the quotation standing alone was as misleading and erroneous as the reader charges. In that limited context the term "masculine" carried with it acceptance of the social roles which feudal and bourgeois society have decreed for masculine and feminine members. I was very wrong in not recognizing this before I incorporated the quotation in my column.

We who write for the Daily Worker are very fortunate in having a most alert and outspoken readership.

ROB F. HALL.

Press Roundup

THE NEWS, which enjoyed the Peekskill riots almost as much as the Jew-hating, Negro-hating Ku Kluxers who ran them, now wants the U. S. to adopt a "Peekskill" diplomatic policy. Says the rabid rag: "We can't lay hands on any diplomat of the new China in this country. But we can lay hands, and boots if we so desire, on envoys from the rest of the Communist nations." It figures. The News believes in "guilt" by association to persecute unionists and progressives here. So why not make it global policy?

THE TIMES approvingly reports the speech by John Foster Dulles calling for a "moral offensive" against socialism and the European democracies. The "offensive" refers, no doubt, to Mr. Dulles' morality of Jew-baiting, which dominated his recent, futile campaign for Senator. Undoubtedly, this kind of "moral

offensive" has the warm support of the reactionary, anti-Semitic dregs of Europe now making a fast buck in this country with their movement to "free Europe."

THE POST puts a winning request to the FBI to tap only Communist' phones, and nobody else's.

THE WORLD TELEGRAM's Eleanor Roosevelt is "disturbed by the persistent reports that Nazis are being placed in important positions in Germany." Then she tells us, "The U. S. is fighting a real battle for democracy in Germany against tremendous odds." Is that we're calling Wall Street and the State Department these days, "tremendous odds"?

THE COMPASS's Jennings Perry believes: "The new hands that hold China are Chinese and will be 'unfriendly' to us only if we will have it so."—R.E.

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Subverting Our Heritage

SINCE PRESIDENT TRUMAN has proclaimed today, Dec. 15, as Bill of Rights Day, will he instruct the FBI and J. Edgar Hoover to stop making secret wire-tap records of telephone conversations? Will he order the FBI to stop—just in honor of the day—to stop reading people's personal mail? Will he ask the FBI to burn the fingerprint files of Americans having such dangerous thoughts as opposing Jimcrow, opposing Spanish fascism, criticizing anti-Semitism, etc.?

Many Americans will be shocked to learn that on this Bill of Rights Day these are typical activities of the political police known as the FBI. Thomas Jefferson and the Founders of the American Republic would turn in their graves if they knew that the Bill of Rights no longer protects Americans from the invasion of their political liberties. Not only does the FBI tap telephones up and down the country and secretly open mail; but on the basis of the notorious Smith Act, the Truman administration framed 11 Americans at Foley Square for having "dangerous thoughts" and forced five-year jail sentences against them. The lawyers who challenged the constitutionality of the Smith Act were sentenced to jail for "contempt" and "conspiracy."

THE AMERICAN PEOPLE didn't get the Bill of Rights without a severe struggle. They had to wage a Civil War against the slaveholders to preserve it. They will lose it today, if they do not unite to defend it against the new Tories who mask their hatred of democracy behind the false propaganda of "anti-communism."

The Bill of Rights was not originally in the U.S. Constitution. Thomas Jefferson had to lead a terrific people's battle to get it in. The people stormed legislatures and demanded protection for the liberties they had fought for in the Revolution against the British monarchy. The Tories of the 1790s tried to wipe out the Bill of Rights with the Alien and Sedition Acts forbidding "subversive" ideas. Scores of Medinas jailed hundreds of patriots.

Loaded and terrorized juries handed down guaranteed convictions. "Juries were nothing more than machines that registered the will, opinions and inclinations of the federal judges . . . trial by jury in any real sense was not to be had. . . ." So wrote the conservative historian Albert J. Beveridge more than 100 years later. What would he have said of the Foley Square frameup? Of the political terrorism known as the "loyalty oaths"? Of the blackmail launched by the Un-American Committee?

THE MEN OF THE TRUSTS, war-hungry generals and munitions kings hate the Bill of Rights. Because the Bill of Rights gives the American people the right to oppose an atomic war; because it gives them the right to advocate social change and new social systems if they see fit. These Tories claim that they uphold the Bill of Rights for all "except Communists." All they need to do then to subvert the nation's democratic liberties is to define any political opponent as "Communist" giving to this noble word the brand of criminal. By single-handed czarist decree, the Attorney General has branded more than a hundred political groups as "subversive." They are outlawed, denied free speech. Their members face loss of jobs.

THE COLD WAR and the Washington philosophy of the "inevitable war against communism" are incompatible with the existence of the Bill of Rights. The cold war is stifling the Bill of Rights. War would murder it altogether. On this solemn Bill of Rights Day, we urge all citizens to unite in its defense. We urge unity for the outlawing of atomic war, for the defense of the Negro people's rights, for the outlawing of the KKK, for the repeal of the un-American Smith Act and the terroristic Un-American Committee.

To defend the Bill of Rights requires the reversal of the jailing of the 11 Communist leaders and their lawyers.

Let the "rich and the well-born" take heed. The American people will never surrender their Bill of Rights.

As We See It

Letter to Miss Kimura,
Hiroshima Victim

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON.



To Miss Hatsue Kimura,
c/o Atomic Bomb Casualty Hospital,
Hiroshima, Japan

Dear Miss Kimura:

Please do not consider me presumptuous for writing to a young woman I have never met. But I have just seen your picture and your story in Henry

THE A-BOMB'S CHILDREN

STUDY OF HALF A MILLION JAPANESE REVEALS THE FIRST DELAYED EFFECTS OF ATOMIC RADIATION

Monday, Aug. 6, 1945 was a day of rest for the people who worked in Hiroshima's Nihon-Seikem bullet factory. Fifteen-year-old Hatsue Kimura and her friends Noriko Saito and Keiko Abe had met at 8 o'clock sharp for a day's outing. They were dressed in the black pantaloons of wartime Japan and wore across their chests the broad canvas strap of the standard first-aid bag. The three girls managed by concerted shoving to board an overloaded streetcar. They stood beside the motorman as the hot, smelly trolley swayed down the city's main street. It was making good time, and most of the passengers were straining forward toward the open windows to catch the cooling breeze. They were now 850 meters from a point in history. It was 8:15 a.m.

The flash and blast that struck them came together. Hatsue remembers it as brilliant green and red. She remembers also that the streetcar was smashed backward, that the floor was a mass of terrified, crying people and that blood covered everyone. She lost consciousness.

When she recovered she crawled over the piled-up bodies to the rear of the streetcar. Here she found Noriko and Keiko. All three of the girls were badly burned on the face and neck, and their skin hung down in flaps. But Noriko was so seriously injured that she could not stand alone. Supporting Noriko between them, Hatsue and Keiko painfully made their way to the top of nearby Futatabi hill. There all three girls suddenly became sick and vomited violently. They struggled on. At the village of Nukushima, where they found a first-aid station set up in a schoolhouse, they collapsed. On the second day Keiko's mother and father found her and took her away. On the third day Hatsue went on alone to join her relatives in the country. On the fourth day Noriko died.

Hatsue's violent sickness ended on the third day, but her appetite did not return. Two weeks later her gums became bloody, and in two more weeks she was completely bald. For four months she was too weak to get out of bed. But by March her burns had healed completely, her hair had grown back and she was strong again. She had recovered.

Hatsue slipped back into the life that was springing up anew in Hiroshima. Her health was good, though her vision seemed poorer than it had been. In February of 1949 she got a job in the cafeteria of an American agency called the Atomic Bomb Casualty Commission, which had been set up by the U.S.

government to find out just what the American bomb had done to its Japanese victims. It was here, suddenly and quite unexpectedly, that Hatsue became a major figure in the history of atomic warfare. One day this September, as the scientists were having lunch, a waitress brought Hatsue in from the kitchen. "This girl was badly burned in the bombing," she said, "and now she can't see so good." A doctor in the group examined her with a pocket ophthalmoscope—and made the most important discovery in Hiroshima's postbomb history. One after another the men looked into Hatsue's eyes and saw there the black pattern of a radiation cataract. Years after her apparently complete recovery Hatsue Kimura was going blind—the first survivor of the atomic bomb to show positive evidence of its terrible delayed effects.

How many more such victims will appear? To find the answer to this vital question, ABCC has begun what may become the most important medical research ever set up by a peacetime group. The subject



HATSUE'S EYES are examined by ABCC doctor.

Hatsue Kimura being examined at the Atomic Bomb Casualty Hospital in Hiroshima.

Luce's Life Magazine. In our country it is not unusual for a person whose picture appears in a national magazine to receive hundreds of letters from complete strangers.

The article in Life revealed that on Aug. 6, 1945, when the bomb fell on Hiroshima, you were a 15-year-old factory worker riding on a trolley car to the park for an outing. Your girl friend, Noriko Saito, was killed. You became ill and for four months you were unable to leave your bed. By March, however, you hair had grown back, you felt better and you were discharged as completely recovered.

But now, we are told, it has been learned that you are going blind as the result of tiny radiation cataracts in your eyes, a delayed effect of my country's atomic bomb.

How many more of your fellow citizens of Hiroshima or of Nagasaki will soon or subsequently show delayed effects of that bomb in a way that will mar them, cripple them or kill them, no one seems to know. But the experts believe the number is large.

I FEEL COMPELLED to write you not only for myself but for the millions of American people who feel intensely that the atom-bombing of your two cities was a monstrous crime. For some of us, our feeling has a strong sense of guilt because, at first, or at one time or another, we defended the use of the A-bomb.

As for myself, I was riding a troop train from Fort Joe Robinson, Arkansas, to some place deep in the heart of Texas on that warm August day. In a newspaper grabbed at a station, I read that President Truman had described the new weapon as a bomb with "more than two thousand times the blast power of the British Grand Slam, which is the largest bomb ever used in the history of warfare" and as having "more power than 20,000 tons of TNT."

The military analysts predicted that dropping the bomb would hurry the war's end and result in saving lives. I believed that, I am sorry to say. I swallowed the story that was supposed to justify the loosing of this lethal charge.

It was only later that many of us began to appreciate the enormous toll of civilian lives, of women, children and old men, taken by that awful bomb. And before we did, President Truman ordered the second bomb, two days later, dropped on Nagasaki.

SOME PERSONS now say that aside from this vast loss of life, the U.S. officials did not reckon on the after-effects, the delayed suffering and death from radiation. But Gen. Leslie R. Groves and many others knew.

Since then we have learned that many atomic scientists, who gave the best years of their lives to developing atomic energy, were opposed to bombing your city. They urged

the President to drop the bomb on some abandoned island as a warning to your own war-mad imperial clique. When the militarists saw what it could do, they said the Japanese government would come to terms.

But the military rejected this proposal. They wanted to test their weapon on warm, living, human flesh.

SUBSEQUENTLY WE LEARNED something else. The British scientist, P. M. S. Blackett, asserted in his book *Fear, War and the Bomb* that the bomb on Hiroshima was not so much the last step in the anti-Axis war as it was the first step in the cold war against the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. The bomb was dropped just two days before the Soviet Red Army was scheduled to declare war on the Japanese militarists. Even at the moment, the Red Army was fully prepared and in position for the invasion of Manchuria and for the certain defeat of the Japanese army around Mukden. The bomb which killed your friend and now takes away your sight was dropped to prevent the USSR from sharing in the victory over Japan, and furthermore, was intended as a display to the USSR of my government's military might.

Sen. Flanders told us newsmen recently that according to his information, the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki was unnecessary. The Japanese government, he said, had expressed willingness to meet the United States and discuss surrender terms.

THESE ARE THE FACTS which make me, which must make any American deeply troubled by the crime committed in our name by a little group of reactionary top officials of our country.

There is little that we can do directly for you. But for your unborn children, and for our own, there is something we can do. We can arouse our fellow citizens to fight in a mighty movement for peace. We can organize to demand international control of atomic energy and the outlawing of atomic weapons. We can insist on the destruction of atom bombs and the cessation of their manufacture. We can as a people consecrate the growing knowledge of atomic science to the uses of peace.

I doubt seriously whether our government's gauleiter in Tokyo, Gen. MacArthur, will permit knowledge of this letter to get to you. Perhaps we must depend on our deeds to convey eventually to you the real feeling of millions of Americans.

Sincerely,

Rob F. Hall

UE

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in the plant had been without a contract which had been abruptly cancelled by the company after a brief, unsuccessful strike by UE.

Before that UE had been the recognized bargaining agency for six years. Its record in that period in winning wage increases and other gains was seen as the major factor in yesterday's election victory.

Wage raises totaling 55 cents an hour had been obtained in those years by UE. In 1946, when the company sought to put over a 20-cent hourly wage cut, UE led a strike which resulted instead in a wage increase of 21 cents an hour.

Special to the Daily Worker

CAMDEN, N. J., Dec. 14.—Seven hundred RCA workers at a membership meeting of UE Local 103 last night instructed their executive board to clean out the small nest of pro-Carey officers who have been using their positions to split their union. There were only three dissenting hands as president John Leto took the vote to notify anti-UE officials to "vacate their offices or forfeit UE membership."

The vote took place after Daniel Arnold, leader of the anti-UE faction, had stormed out of the meeting when the workers voted to condemn the House Un-American Committee for seeking to rebait the union's national leaders.

Arnold tried to defend the Un-American Committee, but with Parnell Thomas' conviction as a petty crook fresh in the workers' minds, he didn't get far.

"This is no place for a decent American," the pro-Carey leader screamed. "I call on all good Americans to leave with me!"

Less than 200 of the 900 originally at the meeting followed Arnold.

The meeting vigorously condemned redbaiting as a company weapon. President Leto read a telling article in *Business Week* which indicated that UE was expelled from CIO because its militant wage-increase policy is a "source of irritation" to "responsible business leaders."



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Invite a Seaman To Your Xmas Dinner

The Voice of the Membership, rank-and-file group in the National Maritime Union, yesterday appealed to New Yorkers to invite victimized and stranded seamen to Christmas dinners. Hundreds of seamen are being prevented by the Joseph Curran machine, in cooperation with the shipowners, from getting back to sea to make their living.

Persons who can invite seamen to Christmas dinner were urged to drop a note to: Voice of the Membership, Box 853, General Post Office, New York City. They should list the address of the home, the time when the seaman should appear and the number of guests who can be accommodated.

Urey

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grains of uranium when the Russians had enough to make a bomb."

HITS JORDAN STORY

The Jordan story he described as "fairy tales" and "crazy nonsense."

"Besides it was not the Russians but the Germans we were trying to keep things from," he said.

For the Un-American Committee he expressed disgust.

"They are not happy unless like a bunch of children they tell everybody we have a secret," he said.

One correspondent leaped to the defense of the Un-American Committee. He said the committee "only listened" to Jordan's story. The Un-American Committee had helped spotlight a threat to the U. S., he said.

Urey sniffed in scorn. "The Un-American Committee has done very little good. It's disgusting to find that such a wild tale can occupy the attention of U. S. officials for so long," he said.

If Jordan's story of tearing radars out of planes and opening diplomatic luggage was true, Urey said, he ought to have been court-martialed.

Correction

Monday's *Daily Worker* reported that Louis Boudin was one of the counsel representing the CIO United Office and Professional Workers in its court plea to stop CIO from going through with an expulsion trial of the UOPWA. The attorney was Leonard Boudin.

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up the story. So Johnson took the stand again and related a wild story that someone else appeared at the meeting and passed himself off as Carr. This someone else was Stewart Smith, Canadian Communist and former member of the Toronto Board of Aldermen. Another person, unknown and unidentified, passed himself off as Buck, Johnson said in his revised story.

SECOND LIE NAILED

No sooner said by Johnson than exploded by the defense and a second lie was nailed onto the record.

Smith wired the court that he had never met Johnson in Buffalo or any other place, that he had never attended the meeting and that he never met Eisler. This was on Aug. 12, and it took one more day for prosecutor Hitz, fighting against the inevitable, again to admit that his star witness, Johnson, had lied on the stand.

This happened on Aug. 13, when Hitz stipulated that Smith would testify according to his telegram and admitted that Smith did not attend the "meeting."

That was enough for Hitz and he dropped Johnson like a hot potato.

One would imagine that the Government, even if it were not concerned with justice, would be sufficiently angered with Johnson for his clumsy lies to nail him for perjury. But that punishment apparently is not to be used against stoolpigeons.

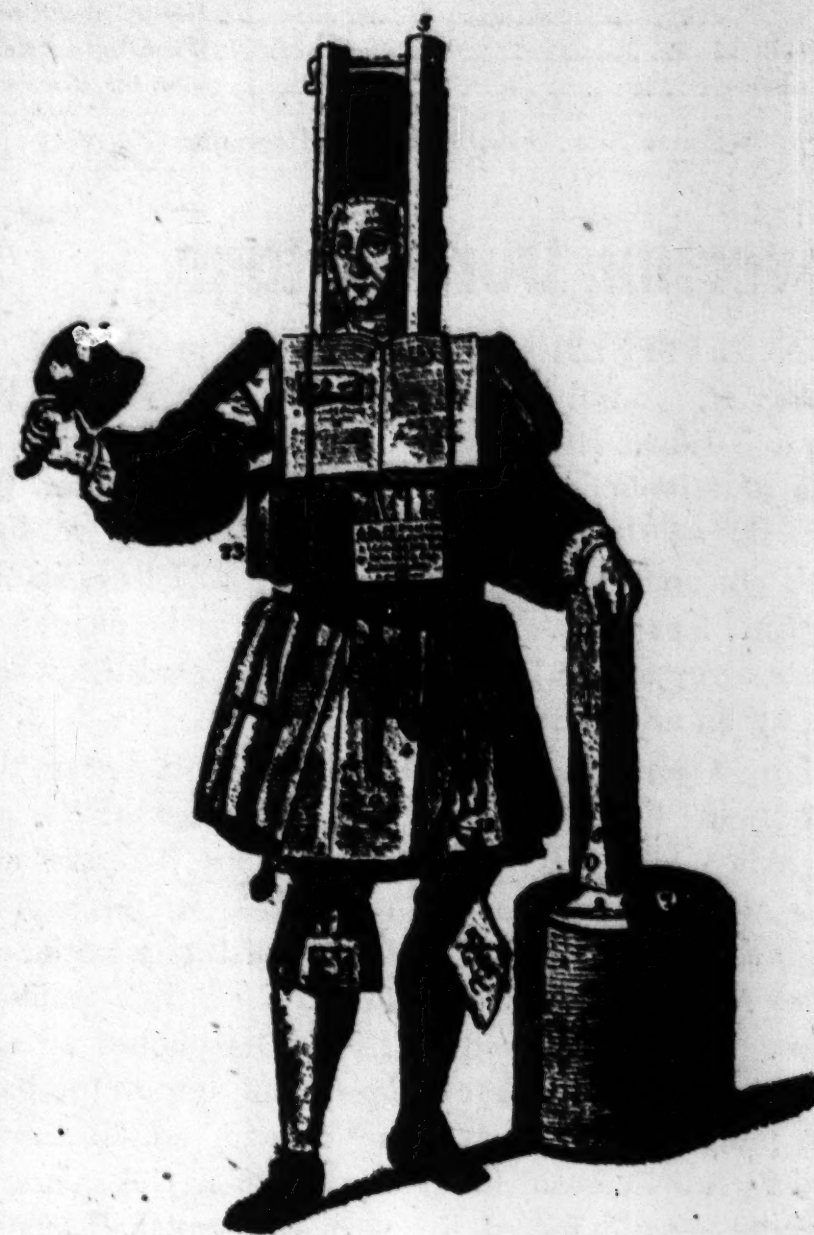
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End of Embargo Would Revive N.Y. Port

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The ending of the "cold war" embargo would result in 100 of the best U. S. freight ships being rescued from the Hudson River and Wilmington, N. C., boneyards to be re-commissioned as proud carriers of good-will cargoes.

Every U. S. ship commissioned in this trade would be a symbol of peace between nations.

Each of the 100 ships would require a crew of 40 men below the rank of officer. That would mean steady employment for 4,000 of the estimated 5,000 seamen who are now on the beach, jobless, in the port of New York.

It is estimated that the opening of U. S.-Soviet-East Europe trade would give employment to more than 5,000 totally unemployed New York City longshoremen and warehouse workers.

Teamsters would like to be the beneficiaries. The lifting of the "cold war" embargo would mean jobs for jobless truck drivers to the tune of 192,000 to 384,000 man-hours a year.

Most of the U. S. goods now barred from the USSR and East Europe—goods that would start flowing from U. S. factories if fair credit relations and trade were established—would be manufactured outside the City of New York.

CHIEF EXPORTS

Construction machinery, conveying machinery, electrical and metal working equipment, mining, well-digging, pumping, farm, railroad, transportation equipment, industrial equipment of all kinds, would be among the chief U. S. exports to the USSR and East Europe if the blockade were lifted.

Lifting of the embargo against the Soviet Union, East Europe and China would open a \$5,000,000,000 yearly export trade. It would mean 3,000,000 jobs for American workers. Opening of a free China trade would pump new life into the port of San Francisco.

The New York State Department of Labor reported on Nov. 9 that 298,558 New York City workers were listed in their files as jobless and claiming (the small and inadequate) unemployment benefits. At the same time the New York City Department of Welfare listed 320,000 jobless on the city relief rolls.

This adds up to a total of 618,558 men and women as "officially" unemployed in the City of New York. The unofficial figure is, of course, much higher, with those added whose jobless benefits have run out and are not receiving unemployment relief of any kind.

JOBLESS INCREASE

Unemployment is increasing in both the State of New York and the City of New York.

The New York State Department of Labor reported that workers claiming unemployment benefits increased 5 percent throughout the entire state during the week ending Nov. 4. Most of this increase "continued to be reported" from New York City, the Department of Labor added.

The State Department of Labor records for September show 113,198 New York City manufacturing workers claiming jobless benefits.

Besides the seamen, longshoremen, warehousemen and teamsters, who would benefit, ending of the "cold war" embargo would lift much of the burden of unemployment from this group of manufacturing workers.

WHO WOULD BENEFIT

Jobless manufacturing workers in the port of New York who

of the civil rights campaign. It will be only the beginning. But this historic undertaking presents a golden opportunity to break through the criminal hypocrisy of both major parties, to smash their conspiracy with the southern poll-tax Democrats, and to compel the Republicans and Democrats to produce on their repeated civil rights pledges, as the first order of business in the second session of the 81st Congress.

(To be continued tomorrow.)

So They Buy Elsewhere

How the "cold war" trade embargo operates to the detriment of American industry and employment is described in the U. S. News and World Report, leading financial journal, with these few brief examples:

- Glazing equipment for pottery, ordered in the U. S. by Czechoslovakia, held up by lack of export license. Czechs buying from Sweden. U. S. exporters are losing sales.

- Trucks, tires and tubes ordered for American-built tractors sent to Poland by UNRRA (on insistence of the late Fiorello La Guardia) could not be supplied by U. S. firms because export licenses were refused. Poland buying from British companies.

- Poland shifts photographic equipment orders from U. S. to Belgium because U. S. Commerce Department refused export licenses.

NAACP

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icy governing the mobilization.

The program and objectives of the action include primarily five points: the establishment of an FEPC; passage of anti-polltax and anti-lynch bills; enactment of an omnibus civil rights bill, covering the abolition of segregation and discrimination in interstate commerce and in other fields; and the abolition of segregation in the armed forces. The minimum character of this program renders it possible for the broadest coalition to unite behind it.

The Jan. 15 mobilization, according to the NAACP statement of policy issued Oct. 15, is the culmination of a gigantic and extensive campaign. "From Nov. 15 through the end of the year we shall conduct an intensive civil rights campaign in a thousand localities throughout the nation. As a climax to this campaign we are inviting delegations from our 1,600 branches and from other organizations to converge on Washington for a mass meeting and conferences with their elected representatives, Jan. 15-17, 1950," says the statement.

In accordance with the NAACP call, it is only by plunging immediately into all sorts of state and local activity—memorializations by City Councils and State Legislatures, proclamations by Mayors and Governors, endorsements by CIO, AFL and independent bodies, mass actions and collaborations with all civil rights people's organizations—can the success of the Jan. 15 mobilization be guaranteed.

Meanwhile, life itself will demonstrate that not even the Jan. 15 mobilization can be the end

Condolences

Our heartfelt sympathy to WILLIE FELDMAN on the death of his mother. — Club 10, Garment Section.

In memory of JERRY FEIFFER who gave his life in the struggle for democracy.—Ben and Freda.

'The Times' Gloats

AN EDITORIAL

The New York Times gloated for a third of an editorial column yesterday over the fact that the Truman "cold war" foreign trade boycott has caused the Soviet Government to prepare to move the Amtorg Trading Corp. from its nine-story building to "smaller quarters of brownstone-house proportions."

This, says the Times joyfully, "foreshadows a further shrinkage in trade between the United States and the Soviet Union, already reduced to a trickle." It is the result, adds the newspaper, of "Russia's self-imposed economic isolation."

The Times knows, however, that it was the Truman Administration, his State Department and his generals—not the Soviet Union—that imposed the trade boycott.

The Soviet Union, the Times also knows, sought a trade agreement which would have meant purchase by the Soviets of \$2 billion of U. S. exports a year for the next 10 years. The people's democracies of Eastern Europe sought \$1 billion of U. S. exports a year. Liberated China was ready to place orders for \$2 billion in U. S. exports a year.

It would all add up to 3,000,000 jobs for American workers and new business for American industry at a time when leading U. S. financial and trade circles are predicting a "shrinkage" in the export market in 1950 and a "bleak outlook" in foreign trade.

The foreign trade boycott is actually boycotting jobs for American workingmen. It is nothing to gloat over. It is not bringing joy to the American home.

Demand an end of the boycott!

would benefit most from ending the "cold war" are:

4,207 chemical workers.

11,313 machinery and electrical products workers.

7,315 transportation equipment workers.

9,437 metal and fabricated metal workers.

3,212 photographic, optical and scientific equipment workers.

We don't have to give any money away a la Marshall Plan to end the Soviet-East Europe trade embargo. A U. S. 10-year credit of 6 billion dollars to the Soviet Union and 3 billion dollars to the Eastern European democracies would start U. S. exports moving—exports amounting to 3 billion a year and totaling 30 billion in 10 years.

Such vast exports mean jobs for the port of New York.

HIGHEST RATING

The U. S. Department of Commerce, which is today canceling Soviet and East Europe export licenses, has ironically assured American businessmen that the USSR credit rating is the highest in the world.

Countries to which the Truman administration has been dishing out billions of "cold war" funds are the very ones slashing their exports from the U. S.

The United Kingdom and British Commonwealth nations have announced the cutting of exports from the U. S. by 25 percent in the fiscal year ending June 50, 1950—a decrease of \$400,000,000 in exports.

India, who entered a new financial pact with the United Kingdom, readmitting her to the sterling bloc as a good-standing member, reported early in August her promise to join other sterling nations, in reducing dollar imports 25 percent. Since India's normal post-war U. S. imports totaled \$400,000,000 a year, another \$100,000,000 is lost to U. S. foreign trade.

The demand for an end of the "cold war" trade embargo should be forcefully raised in every trade union in the land. Trade union leaders who give support to the Truman blockade of one-third of humanity in foreign lands are also erecting a blockade against the rank and file of the American

unions they are supposed to represent.

No effective fight for jobs can be carried on in America which is not at the same time linked with the struggle for an end of the "cold war," trade blockade.

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THERE WILL be all sorts of programs for children at the Jefferson School Holiday Bazaar on Saturday and Sunday afternoon. The Bazaar opens Friday, Dec. 16th, 6 p.m. and will continue Saturday, 11 a.m. to midnight, Sunday, 11 a.m. to midnight. Admission free. The Jefferson School, 575 6th Ave.

Coming

CHARITY BAILEY, BOB DeCORMIER sing folk songs of many lands, 1150 St. Johns Place, 2:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 17th. Sub \$2c. Lodge 785 JFFO. Fun for children and grownups too.

THE CHILDREN of the Bronx will greet the children of the '11' at the Holiday Carnival for Kids. Raymond the Magician. Singing, games, refreshments, and lots more! For parents: Last minute holiday shopping, bazaar and cake sale, Saturday, Dec. 17th, 1:30 p.m. Tremont Terrace, 555 E. Tremont Ave., entrance on Monterey. Children 75c. Adults 25c. Auspices: Bronx Civil Rights Congress.

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 WNYC-Masterwork Hour
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 WOR-Marvin Miller
 9:30-WOR-Food-Alfred M. McCann
 WQXR-Piano Personalities
 9:45-WNBC-The Stars Sing
 WJZ-Missus Goes A-Shopping
 WQXR-Composers' Varieties
 10:00-WNBC-Welcome Travelers
 WOR-Henry Gladstone
 WJZ-My True Story
 WJZ-Bing Crosby Show
 WQXR-Morning Melodies
 10:15-Martha Deane Program
 WJZ-Arthur Godfrey Show
 10:30-WNBC-Marriage for Two
 WJZ-Betty Crocker Magazine
 WNYC-Chairside Chats
 10:45-WNBC-Dorothy Dix
 WJZ-Money Saving Club
 WNYC-Music
 11:00-We Love and Learn
 WOR-News
 WJZ-Modern Romances
 WNBC-Medical Talk
 WQXR-News, Alma Dettinger
 11:15-WNBC-Dave Garraway Show
 WOR-Tello Test
 11:30-WNBC-Jack Berch
 WOR-The Menjous
 WJZ-Quiz Program
 WJZ-Grand Piano
 WQXR-Violin Personalities
 11:45-WNBC-Lora Lawton
 WJZ-Rosemary

AFTERNOON

12:00-WWNB-News Roundup
 WOR-Kate Smith Speaks
 WJZ-Houseparty
 WNBC-Wendy Warren-Sketch
 WNYC-Midday Symphony
 WQXR-News, Lunch Concert
 12:15-WNBC-Aunt Jenny's Stories
 WNBC-Norman Brokenshire
 12:30-WOR-News
 WJZ-Helen Trent
 WJZ-News, Hero Sheldon
 12:45-WNBC-Our Gai Sunday
 WOR-Lunches at Sardi's
 1:00-WNBC-Mary Margaret McBride
 WJZ-Albert Warner, News
 WNBC-Big Sister
 WNYC-String Music
 WQXR-News, Midday Symphony
 1:15-WJZ-Nancy Craig
 WNBC-Ma Perkins
 1:30-WNBC-Young Dr. Malone
 WOR-Hollywood Theatre
 1:45-WNBC-The Guiding Light
 2:00-WJZ-Breakfast in Hollywood
 WNBC-Double or Nothing
 WOR-Second Honeymoon
 WNBC-Second Mrs. Burton
 WQXR-Record Review
 2:15-WNBC-Perry Mason
 2:30-WNBC-Today's Children
 WOR-Queen for a Day
 WJZ-Bride and Groom
 WNBC-Nora Drake
 WQXR-Curtain at 2:30
 2:45-WNBC-Light of the World
 WNBC-The Brighter Day
 3:00-WNBC-Lite Can Be Beautiful
 WJZ-Buddy Rogers Show
 WOR-Answer Man
 WJZ-David Harum
 WQXR-News, Symphonic Matinee
 3:15-WNBC-Road of Life
 WNBC-Hilltop House
 3:30-WNBC-Pepper Young
 WOR-Happiness Exchange
 WNBC-Gary Moore Show
 WJZ-Ladies Be Seated
 3:45-WNBC-Right to Happiness
 4:00-WNBC-Backstage Wife
 WOR-Barbara Welles
 WJZ-Galen Drake
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 WQXR-Record Album
 4:15-WNBC-Stella Dallas
 4:30-WJZ-Melody Promenade
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 WOR-Prince Charming Show
 WNBC-Lorens Jones
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P.M.
 9:00-Screen Guild Theatre.
 WNBC.
 9:30-Duffy's Tavern. WNBC.
 10:00-Author Meets the Critics.
 WJZ.
 TV
 9:00-Ed Wynn show. WJZ.
 9:00-Morey Amsterdam show.
 WABD.

WOR-Straight Arrow-Sketch
 WNYC-Sunset Bonanza
 WQXR-News: Today in Music
 5:15-WNBC-Portia Faces Life
 5:30-WOR-Captain Midnight
 WNBC-Just Plain Bill
 WJZ-Jack Armstrong
 WNBC-Hits and Misses
 WQXR-Cocktail Time
 5:45-WNBC-Front Page Farrel

EVENING

6:00-WNBC-Kenneth Banghart, News
 WJZ-Joe Hassel
 WNYC-Guest Star
 WNBC-Eric Sevarted, News
 WQXR-News, Dance Theatre
 6:15-WNBC-Sports
 WOR-Bob Eison, Interviews
 WJZ-Allen Prescott
 6:30-WNBC-Wayne Howell Show
 WOR-News Reports
 WNBC-Curt Massey
 WNYC-Veteran's News
 WQXR-Dinner Concert
 6:45-WNBC-Three Star Extra
 WNBC-Lowell Thomas
 WNYC-Weather, City News
 WOR-Stan Lomax
 7:00-WNBC-Sinatra, Songs
 WOR-Fulton Lewis, Jr., Comment
 WJZ-Headline Edition
 WNYC-Masterwork Hour
 WNBC-Seulah Show
 WQXR-Keyboard Artists
 7:15-WNBC-News of the World
 WNBC-Jack Smith, Variety
 WOR-Answer Man
 WJZ-Elmer Davis, News
 7:30-WNBC-Serenade to America
 WJZ-David Harding, Sketch
 WNBC-Club 15-Variety
 WOR-Gabriel Heatter
 WQXR-Hambo & Zevia, Piano
 7:45-WOR-I Love a Mystery
 WNBC-Edward Murrow
 8:00-WNBC-The Aldrich Family
 WOR-The Better Half
 WJZ-Blondie-Comedy
 WNBC-Your FBI
 8:30-WNBC-Father Knows Best
 WJZ-A Date with Judy
 WOR-Fishing and Hunting
 WNBC-Mr. Keen
 WNYC-Cooper Union Series
 8:55-WOR-News
 9:00-WOR-Comedy Theatre
 WNBC-Suspense, Play
 WJZ-Amateur Hour
 WNBC-Screen Guild Theatre
 WQXR-Concert Hall
 9:30-WNBC-Duffy's Tavern
 WNBC-Crime Photographer
 WQXR-Record Rarities
 10:00-WNBC-Supper Club
 WJZ-Author Meets Critics
 WOR-Frank Edwards
 WNBC-Playhouse
 WQXR-News: The Showcase
 10:30-WNBC-Dragnet, Sketch
 WOR-The Symphonette
 WNBC-Hollywood Theatre
 WJZ-Someone You Know, Play
 WQXR-Gilbert Sullivan Music

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MOVIE GUIDE

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- THE AFFAIR BLUM. A German film about an attempted frame-up which is particularly relevant today. Manhattan-Apollo.
- HAMLET. The widely praised Laurence Olivier version of the Shakespeare play. Manhattan-Park Avenue Theatre.
- THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART FILM LIBRARY. The Lee McCarey comedy, *Ruggles of Red Gap*.
- SYMPHONY OF LIFE AND STONE FLOWER. A revival of two fine, technicolor Soviet musicals. Manhattan-Stanley.
- ON THE TOWN. The movie version of the famous Broadway musical. Manhattan-Music Hall.
- DEVIL IN THE FLESH. A tragic story of two young lovers incapable of escaping the mesh of bourgeois conventions in which they're caught. Manhattan-Paris Theatre.
- ALL THE KING'S MEN. Shallow and inconclusive, but Robert Rossen's direction makes this story of a Huey Long exciting to watch. Manhattan-Victoria.
- RED SHOES. Distinguished by a fine ballet sequence. Manhattan-Bijou.
- QUARTET. Four polished and witty stories of Somerset Maugham cleverly done. Manhattan-Broadway Embassy.
- ALWAYS LEAVE THEM LAUGHING. Milton Berle crowding out the screen with his act, sometimes funny, sometimes flat. Manhattan-Strand.
- THE GREAT LOVER. Bob Hope entangled with a cardsharp murderer and a bunch of young foresters who keep a strict watch on his morals. Manhattan-Paramount.
- MAJOR BARRABA. A revival of the famous Shaw version of his play, plus a charming French art short "1848." Manhattan-Art.
- INTRUDER IN THE DUST. Shallow and distorted as a picture of the Negro in the South, but Juanita Hernandez's performance may make it worth your while. Manhattan-Mayfair.
- FALLEN IDOL. Carol Reed's direction may make this unmotivated melodrama worth seeing. Manhattan-Sutton Theatre.
- PINKY. Except for some three scenes, an untrue account of the Negro's problems in the South. Manhattan-Rivoli.
- BATTLEGROUND. Slick and glib, partly redeemed by some humor of the Yank magazine type. Manhattan-Astor.

Skip

TOKYO JOE. Bogart says Japanese fascists and Communists are in cahoots. THE RED DANUBE. Dreary slander about the Soviet Union's policy in Austria. PROJECT X. A vicious red-baiting quickie.

Hollywood 'Western' Stereotype Sometimes Serves Healthy Ends

By David Platt

AN ANALYSIS of the 'western' film phenomenon would show that the cowboy hero is invariably a lone ranger battling injustice and crime singlehandedly, while the horse thief or cattle rustler is always someone attached to a gang. It is never the other way around. The hero is hardly ever associated with an active group. The villain is almost never a lone wolf. In the half-century that the 'western' has been around this 'free-enterprise'-inspired idea of tying the villain to cooperative activity and the hero to individual struggle has remained intact. Anything to keep the kiddies from getting the idea that there's an honest future in working and acting together for the good of all.

HOWEVER, within the lone ranger formula, the horse-opera sometimes serves healthy ends. Hollywood westerns "frequently present good, wholesome values that extend Johnny's awareness and understanding of the world he has to face," Julian Zimet, Hollywood writer of horse-operas once said in *The Screen Writer*. "Thus, when an unscrupulous banker connives to foreclose a mortgage on a house or a ranch, it might be concluded that right is more

frequently on the side of the poor than on the rich. It might not be too much to claim that Westerns demonstrate that evil often flourishes in high places and that fair, honest government has to be fought for. Crooked sheriffs and mayors are standbys in horse opera. Another conclusion that Johnny might draw is that the history of our country has been a struggle by little people for their rights against great interests. For example, the westward expansion of the homesteaders against the violent resistance of the cattle barons."

SUCH A WESTERN is Randolph Scott's crude, artless, but intriguing film *The Fighting Plainsman* which I saw the other night on a bill with Paul Douglas' musical *Everybody Does It*. The heroes of this horse-opera are the 'outlaws' Jesse James and Jim Dancer, the latter turned Marshal. The villains are the town prosecutor, the judge, the banker and the railroad magnate, all working together to swindle the little people. The prosecutor and judge split the fines collected from law-breakers—the more crimes committed—the bigger their bankrolls become.

At the same time the banker, by bribing the railroad magnate

with part of the loot (\$50,000) piled up by his gang, has induced this weakling to swing his new road to within walking distance of the banker-controlled town. Following that the banker invites the ranchers to use his road to send their beef to his grazing lands—all for free. Then when all the available cattle are in—thousands of heads—he hems them in with barbed wire, forcing the cattlemen to ship their beef out at great cost by the only other outlet—the railroad. For this little courtesy, the railroad has to fork over a dollar a head to the banker. Jesse James and Jim Dancer, outlaws, mind you, are eventually able to stop this gigantic swindle by the 'best people.'

DESPITE the happy ending the film is interesting in that it provides (unconsciously, of course, its makers I am sure were totally unaware of the implications of the plot), an elementary lesson in how the United States was taken over by the banks, railroads and trusts. For it is not often that one gets in a Hollywood movie—even in a juvenile western—a glimpse of the early outlines of the capitalist state—a state based on crime, the prosecution of small crime, the protection of big crime and big profits.

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Ted Tinsley Says

YO HO, FOR THE LIFE OF A CAT!

The New York Times for Nov. 30, 1949, should be carefully preserved for exhibition in some socialist museum of the future. Here, in this one issue, we may find the most complete and final expression of the Times mentality in relation to cats and people.

On one page we read of a lecture delivered by Milton Fisher, an instructor in business law at Long Island University. Mr. Fisher lectured on a vital topic: how to leave legacies to cats. Those of you who have a few thousand dollars you want to leave to a cat may think it's easy, but you're wrong. You can't leave money to cats directly. They simply can't be trusted with cash. You have to leave money (or property) in a trust fund to keep it from falling into the hands of people. Some bank official, or similarly equipped gentleman, will administer the fund so that the cat receives the maximum benefit. But the trouble with trust funds, as the Times paraphrased Mr. Fisher, is that "the cat may outlive the human trustee and end up destitute." Then the cat will end up without a buck to his name.

We also learn that annuities for cats are very difficult to obtain. This creates great hardships for cats. But if the thing is done properly, we may all be thankful that it is still possible to provide, and provide well, for a cat in its old age.

ON ANOTHER PAGE of the Times we read of an English cat, Simon. Simon was on the frigate Amethyst which was shelled in the Yangtze River last April. Simon was wounded in action. I was happy to read that Simon recovered from his wounds and in due time returned to receive the Dickin Medal for Heroic Animals. Unfortunately, Simon, medal and all, must have been investigating some rather disreputable garbage cans (and I am not referring to the British Foreign Office), because he turned up with an acute inflammation of the stomach.

I have shocking news for you. Brace yourself. Simon died last month in an English cat hospital. Doctors said he might have survived were it not for the wounds he received aboard the Amethyst. We also learn that the Lord Mayor of London had planned a personal visit to Simon. But Simon departed this world before this signal honor took place.

NOW WE TURN to the editorial page of the New York Times, same edition, same day. There we read an editorial titled: PERSPECTIVE ON PENSIONS. The editorial is a blast at all union pension plans. The Times, in its usual bold and fearless manner, came out flatfooted against pensions for people. It is also, we might add, against "socialized" medicine for people.

Although I searched the paper carefully, I could find no word expressing disapproval of pensions for cats, or hospitalization and medical care for same. (Mind you, Simon couldn't even choose his own doctor!)

In talking of the steel union's pension plan, the Times wrote, "It was this philosophy, and this approach to the pension problem, that Senator Taft had in mind when he asked, quite properly, 'If a steel worker is entitled to a pension of \$100 a month, why not a waiter?'"

Well, why not?

After all, we're not asking for any more than a well-born cat could expect.

Around the Dial:

Canada Lee Fights Radio Blacklist

By Bob Lauter

A RECENT ISSUE of Variety published a letter from the noted Negro stage, screen and radio actor, Canada Lee. The letter was written in answer to a Variety article which reported the American Tobacco Company's conception of Mr. Lee's political beliefs.

"My simple factual statement," he wrote, "that I am not, never have been, nor intend to be a Communist is the only way I can see to combat an invisible and unjust thrust at my integrity as a loyal American."

It is to be regretted that in his reply Mr. Lee accepted the assumption that to be a Communist is "subversive" or that it cannot be reconciled with "integrity as a loyal American." Mr. Lee must know that in fighting for those social advances in which he so deeply believes, loyal American Communists have certainly been in the front lines.

The letter, however, is an impressive indictment of radio's unwritten blacklist. It proves again that the so-called battle against "Communism" is a sham. It is a battle against all progress and human decency.

MR. LEE WROTE FURTHER: "That I have been fighting the un-American practices used against my people, such as lynchings, Jimcrow, utter disregard for the Negroes' dignity as a human being, or first class American citizen—I neither can nor wish to deny."

Exactly! And the blacklist is aimed at all people who fight with Canada Lee for those very principles!

What happened to Canada Lee because he has fought so well and so militantly for the Negro people? In his own words:

"Walter Klee Associates made a series of film shorts in which I am starred, for five minute spots on television. They have been lauded by everyone to whom they have been shown; yet the agencies have refused to buy them because of the smear that I have been plastered with so generously. One agency executive that liked, but refused the pictures after complimenting them highly, called Klee aside and showed him at least 40 shows that they had turned down because they were designed for me, again for the aforementioned reason. How long can a man take this kind of unfair and unfounded treatment?"

Later Mr. Lee writes: "By working toward the elimination of the indignities heaped upon Negroes and other minorities; by helping the causes which relieve people of suffering; by trying to gain for youngsters educational and democratic advantages—I feel these are my contributions as an American."

Yes, these have been and are Canada Lee's "contributions as an American." Unfortunately these contributions stand in the way of agency profits. This and not any assumed membership in the Communist Party, is the reason for the blacklist against any militant fighter for the people.

Books:

Marion Book on Communist Trial Available in 50c Edition

A NEW LOW-PRICED EDITION of George Marion's hard-hitting book *The Communist Trial* (50 cents) has been announced by the New Century Publishers.

Written in a lively, fast-paced thrilled style, Marion's new book makes absorbing reading. It is fully documented and buttressed by irrefutable facts including verbatim testimony from the actual court record.

William Z. Foster says of the book: "In a vivid way it shows the frame-up, stoolpigeon system in operation, and makes clear how and why the prosecution ensured a 'guilty' verdict. Marion by exposing the frame-up character of the trial, the prosecution's use of

stoolpigeons and police informers as its witnesses, helps the reader to understand the trial of the American Communist leaders as part of the whole pattern of ruling class frame-ups against labor and its leaders. Because of the book's compelling style, it makes it difficult for the reader to put it aside until he has finished reading it."

Dashiell Hammett calls it "an exciting, suspenseful story of a meaningful moment in history," and in turn, John T. McManus, National Guardian editor, calls the book "as exciting as a Hammett whodunit." E. Haldeman-Julius, in *The American Freeman*, wrote: "Our thanks are due George Marion for a brilliant job. Americans who believe in constitutional lib-

erties should read this amazing book about a case in which a judge prostituted his high powers." O. John Rogge, formerly assistant U. S. Attorney-General, declared that "Mr. Marion's moving story of *The Communist Trial* will be of interest to all Americans who do their own thinking." Letters and comments are pouring in every day from people in every walk of life in appreciation of the enormous service in the interests of democracy performed by Marion's book.

New Century Publishers, which is distributing *The Communist Trial* nationally urges the broadest circulation of this potent weapon against Wall Street's thought-control witchhunt.

Aleine Austin Attempts a Popular History of Labor

By George Morris

THE LABOR STORY by Aleine Austin is an attempt to present a popular history of the 150-year old American labor movement in capsule form. The need for such a book has been long felt. Millions

THE LABOR STORY, by Aleine Austin, Coward McCann, New York, \$2.50, 244 pp.

of workers entered unions in the past decade. They are a tremendous market for something that would give them within a weekend's reading the background to the union they belong to and the policies they are asked to approve.

Miss Austin has apparently become impressed with the need of a short outline as a result of her own experience as an educational worker for labor unions. Her book was apparently also an attempt to fill a long-felt need for something that could serve as a base of study for short trade union study course.

The style of writing is popular and designed to attract those not steeped in trade union jargon and practice. She does well in picturing the successive stages of labor story. Every one of the 27 chapters stands out for at least a dramatic event. On occasions, as on the Mollie Maguires, Haymarket affair, and the great railroad strike of 1894, she digresses into considerable detail.

THE BOOK is divided into three parts: the period from the 1806 conviction of Philadelphia shoemakers for a "conspiracy to raise wages," to the end of the Civil War; 1865 to 1900 and from 1900 to 1940.

By the time you pass two-thirds of the book you are inclined to feel that perhaps this is the needed popular booklet. Up to that point it's a fair job of streamlining the reader through a century. It is inevitable of course, that such a flashback would leave many gaps and not satisfy those who want to go beyond an appetizer of history. But there is one obvious big hole even in that part of the book. The writer has almost nothing on labor's role and influence in the Civil War, and international labor's influence upon it through Karl Marx' effort.

The fact that a number of local unions enlisted en-masse and form-

ed companies in the Northern Army; that William Sylvius personally led the molders company; the active part the coal miners' unions had in the civil war, and the influence this sentiment had on Lincoln's pro-labor utterances at the time; the role of the Marxist refugees from Europe and the part they had in the armed forces—all that would have made a very popular chapter in the book. But neither labor's role in that war, nor in World War II, gets much attention.

THE PRINCIPAL weakness of the book becomes most apparent when the period after World War I is reached. By that time more than 80 percent of the book is gone. The reader is left with the feeling that the writer gives history the brushoff from there on. The disproportion is quite obvious.

A historic background is important. But it is the relation of the most recent developments to that background that is most important. Left out entirely, not even mentioned, is the rise of the left wing movement within the AFL in the twenties under the leadership of William Z. Foster. Thousands of America's labor leaders and builders received their start and education in the Foster-led Trade Union Educational League. The TUEL caused a storm in the AFL, especially in some of its major affiliates. It hammered out a progressive labor program which for 15 years figured prominently in the internal struggles of many unions. All the major issues upon which the CIO differed with the AFL from 1935 on, were fought for by the TUEL. But Miss Austin doesn't even mention that movement as though the program much of which later became the CIO's, just came suddenly into the brains of a few labor leaders in 1935.

Nor, apparently for the same reason, does Miss Austin have much on the AFL's capitulation policy of the twenties—the period of B. & O. no-strike contracts, labor banking, and wages tied to

productivity—against which the TUEL fought. Both factors led to the rise of the CIO.

THE SECTION on the CIO consists mainly of a description of several of its dramatic moments, but there isn't much on its actual history and development. There is nothing of the internal struggle within the CIO and the big change from the united fighting "spirit of '36" to the splitting witchhunt days of '49.

Only one paragraph takes note of the struggles of the 1933-35 period that have had so much to do with forcing enactment of the Wagner Act and other New Deal legislation. The great West Coast maritime and San Francisco General strikes are brushed off with one sentence.

In pointing to some missing sections of the book I do not necessarily suggest that it should have been longer and, as a consequence, sacrifice its object as a short story. Some of the lengthy descriptions of certain episodes could have been easily cut to allow more space for the very essential quarter century since the twenties.

Popular history is certainly desirable. But it must, nevertheless, give the full picture, even if some parts of that picture are regarded by the writer as not "popular."

Chanukah Party At School of Jewish Studies

Piute Pete, loudest hog caller this side of the Rockies, will lead the square dances at a gala Chanukah party of the School of Jewish Studies on Saturday, Dec. 17, 8:30 p. m., at 77 Fifth Ave.

Ronnie Gilbert and Freddie Hellerman of the Weavers will sing folk songs old and new. The program will also feature Laura Worthem and her guitar, Yiddish and Hebrew songs by Hyman Silver, tenor, and a group of modern dances by Jeanette Squier.

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The Stanley Theatre is now offering a double-bill of two Soviet Magicolor features: *Symphony of Life* and *Stone Flower*, both dealing with life in Siberia, the former being a true story of a young war vet who seeks out a new home for rehabilitation, the latter, a fairytale of old Russia. Both films feature V. Drushnikov in the leading role. Both were awarded first prizes at the Prague International Film Festival.

GIANTS SWAP GORDON, MARSHALL, KERR TO BRAVES FOR STANKY, DARK

By Lester Rodney

In a spectacular trade which will reshape both ball clubs, the New York Giants yesterday swapped Sid Gordon, Willard Marshall and Buddy Kerr to the Boston Braves for the keystone combination of Alvin Dark and Eddie Stanky. The news broke out of the winter meeting at the Commodore Hotel like a thunderbolt and immediately became the subject of sharply divided opinions. Thrown into the big pot by Leo Durocher was relief pitcher Sam Webb. It was an even trade of the four players for two with no cash involved.

The deal, from the Giant point of view, sacrifices some of the team's heavy hitting power and brings into the Polo Grounds a ready made keystone combination, one which won the flag with the Braves in 1948. But there were those who said that Stanky, who will be 32, is appreciably slowed up, and that Dark, who had only a fair sophomore year, has not yet proven himself a star.

It is no secret that Durocher likes to have the Stanky type on his club. He considers him the "glue" that makes for a winning team. And with Kerr in the doghouse and Rigney not consistent enough, the Giants needed a shortstop, and most of all, a double play combination.

While it is freely rumored that Dark and Stanky, off as well as on the field pals, were among the leading opponents of Southworth during the friction that rent the Braves last season, this was written off as a reason for the deal by people close to the Boston manager, who pointed out that most of the club was involved in the grumbling.

THE BRAVES ACQUIRE, and the Giants lose, two hard hitting major league ballplayers in the popular Sid Gordon, who can play third base or the outfield, and Marshall, a consistent .300 hitting rightfielder. Gordon will undoubtedly move to the outfield, where he is better than at third and where Boston was weakest this year. The Braves already have a topline third sacker in Bob Elliott.

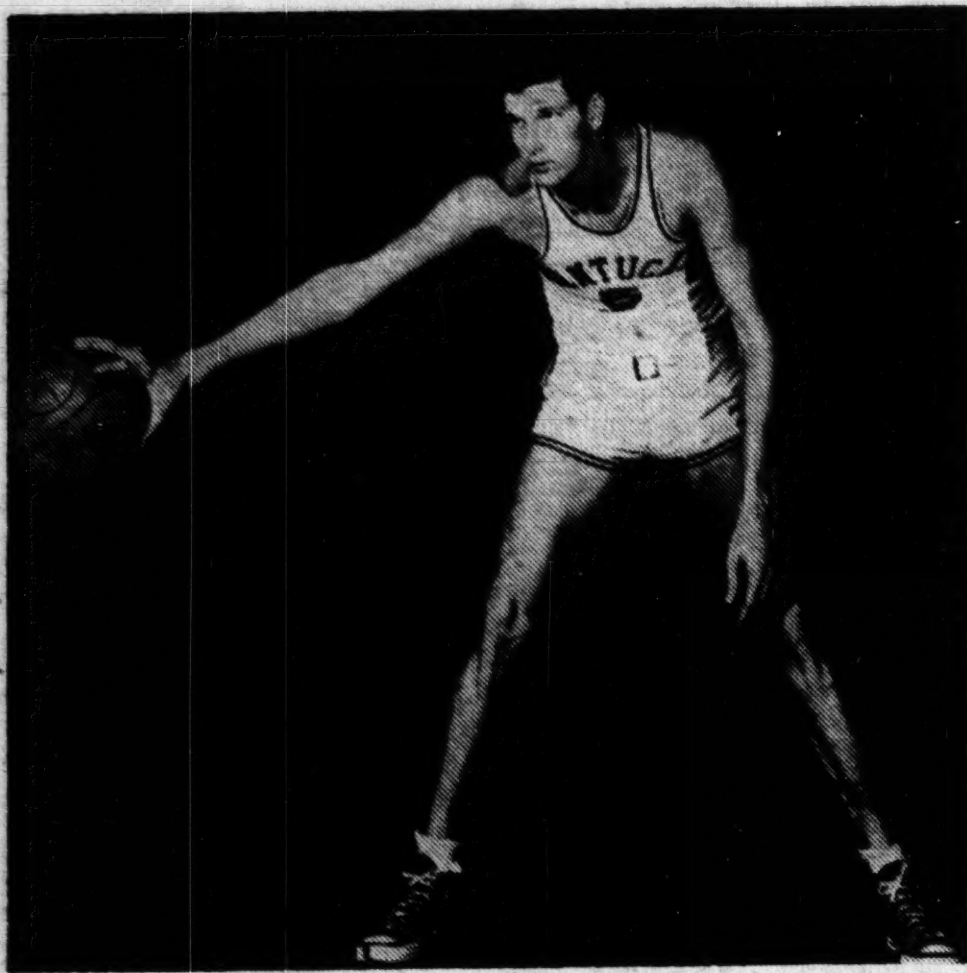
GORDON, a money player, crashed out 26 home runs with the Giants last year and batted in 90 with his average of .284. Marshall hit 12 homers, batted in 70 runs and hit .307. The Braves, long without consistent long range hitting, considered that they needed the punch in these players more than their infield duo. Kerr, rated by many one of the better fielding shortstops, never hit it off with Durocher. He will get a full chance to take over the Boston job, probably next to Sibby Sisti. The Brave outfield, with Gordon, Marshall, Tommy Holmes and the touted rookie Sam Jethroe, now figures one of the most potent around.

Young Dark, who was "Rookie of the Year" in 1948, fell off somewhat last season, batting .276 and driving in 53 runs. He is exceptionally fast. On his freshman form he is one of the long range shortstop stars around. Apparently the Giants figure his letdown temporary, possibly a result of the general turmoil surrounding the Braves.

Stanky, the league's top specialist in getting on base, collected 112 walks to go with his improved .285 batting average, and scored 90 runs, more than any of the players in the deal. He drove in 42 runs. Not fast, but a sure-handed, poised fighter in the field, he can "lift" a club with him.

The deal casts into a secondary role, at least for this year, the Giants' bright young second bas-

Pick St. Johns Over Kentucky



TALLEST COLLEGE PLAYER to ever appear in the Garden is seven foot soph center Bill Spivey of Kentucky, unveiled tonight against St. Johns.

Mighty Kentucky, without the fabulous Groza, Beard and company, but still regarded as one of the nation's best, makes its annual visit to the Garden tonight, and the local opposition, St. Johns of Brooklyn, is given a chance to make up for some past pastings.

The visitors have played only two inconsequential warm up games, so there's a lot of guesswork about how close they may or may not come to the departed whizzes. One regular of last year is back; Dale Barnstable, plus another senior who was sixth man last year, the sharpshooting Jim Line, who scored 52 points in the first two games. Another reasonably experienced hand is rugged Walter Hirsch, a junior. Two sophs will round out the starting team. One is seven foot Bill Spivey, who is reported crude but dangerous.

Kentucky will have overall height on St. Johns for their usual strong backboard game. Line and Strong are 6-2, Barnstable 6-3, Hirsch 6-4, and Spivey will have

rookie from Atlanta, Dave Williams. It also confirms that Hank Thompson, the sharp hitting first year second sacker, will move over to third, where he will fight Jack Lohrke for the job. With Lockman and Thomson long range fixtures in the outfield, the Giants have a variety of promising candidates for the rightfield berth including Monte Irvin and several topline rookies prospects. But their pitching remains weak.

Some baseball observers thought the Giants were badly stung and gave the pitcher-loaded Braves the pennant with the lousy bats of Gordon and Marshall. Others thought the Giants got the better of it by obtaining a classy flag winning key-

six inches on St. Johns' fine soph center, Bob Zawoluk, in the battle of the pivots. The Redmen are unbeaten to date with easy Garden wins over LSU and Rhode Island State, and have flashed fine scoring punch sparked by the drive of Al McGuire and the deadly popping of Gerry Calabrese.

In the opener an improved Brooklyn College team, with 6 out of 7 over minor opposition, a loss only to Niagara at Buffalo, still figures no threat to classy CCNY's tall and talented youngsters.

WE PICK: St. Johns and CCNY.

Cards Get the Hat

The St. Louis Cardinals yesterday traded outfielder Ron Northey and infielder Lou Klein to the Cincinnati Reds for outfielder Harry Walker.

stone combination for players who could be spared because of the teams' overall punch. Some figured it the kind of deal which will help both.

Durocher, commenting on the acquisition of the player who bitterly accused him of "stabbing me in the back" two years ago, said, "Maybe we have lost some power, but we have tightened up our ball club. When others start folding you can always be sure of Stanky."

Southworth was equally enthusiastic. "We need outfield strength and now we've got it," he said, "in addition to a shortstop to replace Dark. I've always had a high regard and a lot of confidence in Kerr."

On The Scoreboard

By Lester Rodney

OVER THE PHONE the day after, Clair Bee spoke of the gratifying victory his Long Island University team turned in over perennially hard-to-beat Oklahoma A&M. "They played it perfectly," he said. "They really surprised me with their poise and ball-handling. They were so intent on doing the job right and as planned that they refused to be thrown off when the party got a little rough. You can't give them too much credit. Remember, they're a young bunch. Why, Scherer, our senior, is just a baby of 20."

Quite a baby of six foot nine inches he was, too, as were all the LIU "iron men." The keen LIU mentor slipped off to Philly Saturday night to watch the Aggies beat St. Josephs and mulled over their peculiar style a while. Then he came up with an answer—to beat them at their own game, hold the ball out and make their "collapsing defense" move to meet it before trying to score, not falling for the invitation to lose the ball by taking long shots over the packed defense. He figured it, the players applied it flexibly and intelligently, and it's one down for the big name visitors. Kentucky coming up tonight. Come on, St. Johns!

Classic Win for LIU

By Bill Mardo

The good word from LIU yesterday is that Adolph Bigos and Leroy Smith, hurt heroes of the Beemens' classic 38-31 turn-table triumph over the Oklahoma Aggies, are not seriously injured. It is not known yet whether they will be ready for Saturday night's outing against Denver.

Bigos and Smith were released from the hospital after diagnosis of the back sprains suffered during the last few tense minutes Tuesday night showed nothing more serious was required than a brief rest cure. Good word for LIU indeed. Because these were two men who played so vital a role in the Aggies' downfall.

Smith was all over the court helping set up the artistic slow-down controlled plan with which Clair Bee plotted the Aggie defeat, keeping up a constant line of encouraging chatter to his mates, pulling off those phenomenal jumping push-shots whenever the opening presented itself.

Bigos, whose absence with an ankle injury was the prime factor in LIU's lone loss to Kansas State last week, proved what an essential he was when he returned to action and helped add to Oklahoma's general befuddlement. He's a must in that classy but thinly manned LIU lineup.

LIU simply stole a leaf from the Oklahoma book in scoring their most impressive win of the young season. Bee had his men playing Oklahoma's own possession game, clogging up the middle, passing back and forth outside of the bucket for minutes on end until a give-and-go opportunity was wedged. It was a controlled possession game that simply knocked the young Aggies right out of gear.

From the time the artistic Beemens took over a 9-0 lead in the first eight minutes of play, they were never headed. Little Eddie Gard played one of the games of his life, generalizing the new style for LIU, outthrusting and outspeeding the Aggies crazy when he dribbled down court to take up position outside the pivot circle. Sherman White and Herb Scherer were artists outjumping and outthrusting Oklahoma's big man, Shelton, under the boards, to gobble up the bulk of the rebounds.

LIU has perhaps the toughest schedule of all the locals on tap, but in knocking Oklahoma's Aggies 1952.

from the unbeaten they convinced a lot of Garden spectators they have the stuff to do it with (shallow bench notwithstanding) and also proved anew they rank with City and St. John's as our top representatives.

TIGERS GET PRIDDY

The Giant-Brave trade wasn't the only big one of the day. The Detroit Tigers got the second base half of the first and second baseman they need to be flag contenders when they bought Jerry Priddy from the St. Louis Browns for \$100,000 and promising young rookie righthander Lou Kretlow. Priddy is considered one of the better second sackers and batted .290 for the lowly Browns. Kretlow won 3 and lost 2, but is very fast and rated a comer.

The Brown deal, coming through on the promise to unload players over 28 and build up youngsters, followed Tuesday night's sending of star third baseman Bob Dilling, who hit .323, to the A's along with outfielder Paul Lehner for another hundred thousand and four players. The four were outfielder Ray Coleman, who hit .295 for Buffalo with 23 homers; Rocco Ippolito, a promising outfielder from the Western League, shortstop Billy DeMar of Buffalo and the shopworn Frankie Custine. So they've come up with 200 C's in two days and a lot of players.

The A's promptly swapped their own third sacker, Hank Majeskie, to the White Sox for pitcher Ed Klieman. Hank hit .277. Klieman had a 2-0 record after he got started.

BONUS RULE OUT, 15G RAISE FOR CHANDLER

The controversial bonus rule, which keeps all bonus youngsters with the daddy club once they're up, was repealed yesterday in a fight led by Commissioner Chandler, who cast the deciding vote. The issue now goes to the minor leagues.

Another juicy order of business saw Chandler getting an annual salary increase of \$15,000 a year. His seven-year contract runs into but in knocking Oklahoma's Aggies 1952.